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Management Activities in Middle
Shire (COVAMS II)

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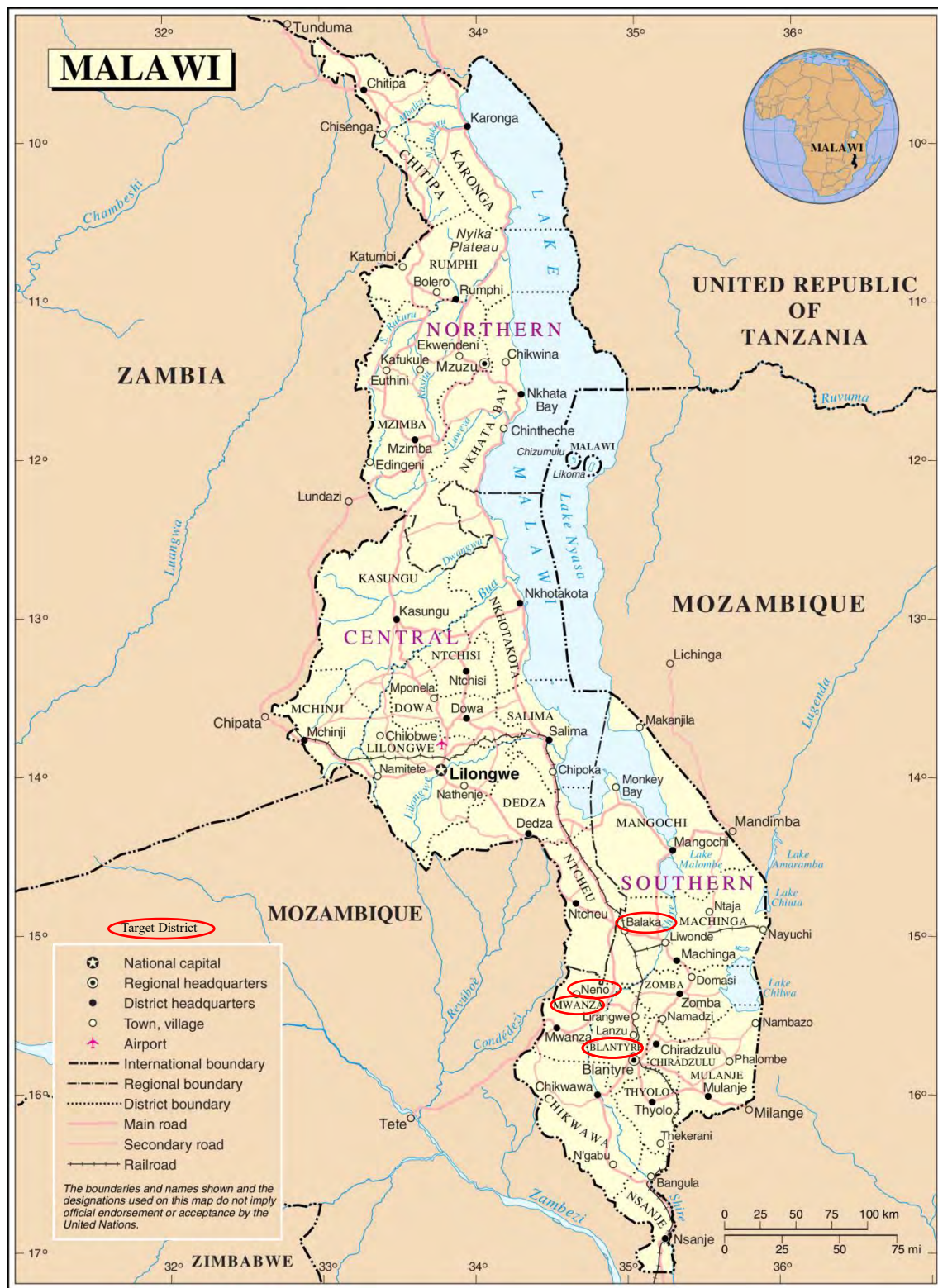
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Abbreviation

CADECOM	Catholic Development Commission in Malawi
CCO	Conservation Coordination Officer
CMFA	Catchment Management through Farmers' Activities
COVAMS	Project for Community Vitalization Activities in Middle Shire
COVAMS II	Project for Promoting Catchment Management in Middle Shire
DC	District Counselor
DMT	District Management Team
DOF	Department of Forestry
DPD	Directors of Planning and Development
EAM	Evangelical Association of Malawi
FDMF	Forest Development and Management Fund
FISD	Foundation for Irrigation for Sustainable Development
GOM	Government of Malawi
GVH	Group Village Head
H/H	Household
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
LDF	Local Development Fund
LF	Lead Farmer
MASAF	Malawi Social Action Fund
MBC	Malawi Broadcasting Corporation
MCFW	Malawi College of Forestry and Wildlife
MGS III	Malawi Growth and Development Strategy III
MoAIWD	Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development
MoCECCD	Ministry of Civic Education, Culture and Community Development
MoNREM	Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mining
MWK	Malawi Kwacha
NFLR	National Forest Landscape Restoration
ODA	Official Development Assistance
OPC	Office of the President and Cabinet
ORT	Other Recurrent Transactions
PDM	Project Design Matrix
PM	Project Manager
PO	Plan of Operation
R/D	Record of Discussions

RFO	Regional Forestry Officer
RMT	Regional Management Team
RUSLE	Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation
SLF	Senior Lead Farmer
SVTA	Specified Village Training Approach
TA	Traditional Authority
TOT	Training of Trainers
TST	Technical Support Team
USD	US Dollar
VDC	Village Development Committee
VH	Village Head
WB	World Bank
WFP	World Food Programme
WRI	World Resource Institute

Map of Malawi (Location of the Project)



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Marking of the Monitoring Site
(Neno, 2018/3/6)



Sharing Meeting of Year Reviews for 2017/2018
(Zomba, 2018/3/13)



Official Field Visit of the Office of the President and
Cabinet (Mwanza, 2018/3/14)



Planning Meeting for Post-COVAMS Catchment
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COVAMS II Dissemination Seminar
(Lilongwe, 2018/3/26)



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Project Completion Report

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Chapter 1. Basic Information of the Project

1.1 Country

Republic of Malawi

1.2 Title of the Project

Project for Promoting Catchment Management Activities in Middle Shire

1.3 Duration of the Project (Planned and Actual)

From: September 5, 2015

To: May 31, 2018

1.4 Background (from Record of Discussions (R/D))

Malawi is an inland country located in Southern Africa. Lake Malawi (24,000 km²), the ninth largest lake in the world and the third largest in Africa, covers 20% of its land area. In 2010, Malawi's total population was approximately 14.9 million; its population density (156.7 persons/km²) and population growth rate (3.0%) were relatively high among Sub-Saharan African countries ("World Statistics Pocket Book," United Nations, 2010).

Across the entire country, forestland has dramatically decreased from 4.2 million ha (38% of the national land) in 1990 to 3.4 million ha (30.7%) in 2005. In particular, forest resources in the Middle Shire River Basin, which flows from the southern edge of Lake Malawi to Southern Malawi, rapidly diminished because of issues induced by population growth in Blantyre, the largest commercial city in the country, such as an increase in firewood collection in the forests. The decreased forest

resources caused a decline in the water retention capacity of the basin, as well as a decline in agricultural productivity because of soil erosion and degradation. As a result, the poverty of people in communities with vulnerable living conditions was exacerbated. In addition, the huge volume of silt discharge into the Shire River, which has accumulated on the river bed, has reduced the discharge of the river. This has brought about adverse impacts including lower power generation capacities for hydropower plants located in the Shire water system that previously generated 94% of the country's electric power and increased flooding in downstream areas.

Under such circumstances, international donors and NGOs have been proactively supporting efforts to mitigate environmental degradation in the Shire River Basin. In particular, in June 2014, the World Bank (WB) launched the "Shire River Basin Management Program (Phase I) Project" including inter-sectorial development planning and coordination mechanisms, investment in the most urgent water-related infrastructure, and the development of up-scalable systems and methods to rehabilitate sub-catchment and protect existing natural forests, wetlands, and biodiversity.

Before those activities, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) initiated the "Project for Community Vitalization and Afforestation in Middle Shire" (2007–2012) (hereinafter referred to as "COVAMS I") based on various survey results conducted since 1999. COVAMS I comprised the broad implementation of technologies for soil conservation and tree planting. The project introduced such technologies to farmers in the target areas using the Specified Village Training Approach (SVTA) (hereinafter referred to as the "COVAMS approach"). The techniques were spread to over 30,000 households in 244 villages within two Traditional Authorities (TAs) in Blantyre District in Middle Shire. However, the target area of COVAMS I was limited to 400 km² of the total Middle Shire land area of 7,350 km². In addition, issues remained in establishing an implementation mechanism for promoting well-designed activities. Therefore, the Government of Malawi requested that the Government of Japan implement a technical cooperation project to extend the soil conservation activities based on the COVAMS approach to broader areas.

1.5 Overall Goal and Project Purpose (from Record of Discussions (R/D))

Overall Goal: Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) are widely implemented in target districts

Project Purpose: CMFA is institutionalized in target districts

1.6 Implementing Agency

- Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining

- Department of Agriculture Extension Services, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development
- Department of Land Resources Conservation, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development
- Department of Community Development, Ministry of Civic Education, Culture and Community Development

Chapter 2. Results of the Project

2.1 Results of the Project

2.1.1 Input by the Malawian side

In total, 120 personnel have been engaged in the Project. At the central level, the key counterpart organizations are as follows: the Department of Forestry of the Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining (MoNREM); the Department of Agriculture Extension Service and the Department of Land Resources and Conservation of the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development (MoAIWD); the Department of Community Development of the Ministry of Civic Education, Culture and Community Development (MoCECCD); and the Department of Performance Enforcement of the Office of the President and Cabinet (OPC).

Table 1: List of Key Counterpart Personnel

Title/Responsibilities	Affiliation/Ministry	Name
Director	Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining (MoNREM)	Mr. Clement Chilima
	(until September 2016)	Mr. Kester Kaphaizi Botolo
Deputy Director of Department of Forestry	MoNREM, Department of Forestry	Mr. Thomas Makhambere, Mr. Francis Chilimampunga
Director of Agriculture Extension Service, Agriculture Extension Service Department	Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development (MoAIWD),	Dr. Jeromy Nkhoma
Director of Community Development, Department of Community Development	Ministry of Civic Education, Culture, and Community Development (MoCECCD)	Ms. Clotilda Sawasawa
Director, Department of Performance Enforcement	Office of the President and Cabinet (OPC)	Mr. Simon Managoa
Economist, Department of Performance Enforcement	Office of the President and Cabinet (OPC)	Mr. Hansford Yusufu
Regional Forestry Officer (South)-RFO (S), Department of Forestry	MoNREM, Department of Forestry	Ms. Cecilia Chauluka
District Forestry Officer, Balaka	MoNREM	Mr. Paul Muhosha (from March 2017)
		Mr. Baird Nangwale
District Forestry Officer, Blantyre	MoNREM	Mr. Geoffrey Kanyerere
District Forestry Officer, Mwanza	MoNREM	Mr. Gregory Kulemeka (from July 2016)
		(Vacant until June 2016)
		Mr. Brian Mtambo (until June 2016)
District Forestry Officer, Neno	MoNREM	Mr. Emmanuel Ngwangwa
Assistant District Forestry Officer, Blantyre, Regional Management Team (RMT)	MoNREM	Mr. Peter Mkwapatira

In addition, at the regional level, the Regional Forestry Officer of South under the Department of Forestry has been involved in the Project, and the Assistant District Forestry Officer of Blantyre has coordinated the Project activities as the Regional Management Team. At the District level, the following parties have been committed to the Project: the District Commissioners and the District Forestry Officers of the four target districts of Blantyre, Mwanza, Neno, and Balaka. In addition, all the stakeholders of catchment management of the four districts, including TSTs and CCOs, have been engaged in the Project. (Table 1. For a full list of the counterpart personnel, see Appendix).

2.1.2 Provision of office space

The Malawian side provided the project office spaces in the MoNREM in Lilongwe and the Blantyre District Forestry Office in Blantyre.

2.1.3 Other expenses borne by the Malawian Government

None

2.2 Input from the Japanese Side

2.2.1 Local Cost borne by the Japanese side:

The Local Cost borne by the Japanese side is as follows (Table 2)

Table 2 Local Cost Borne by Japanese Side

Japanese Fiscal Year	Local Cost		Equipment and Materials	
		Description		Description
2013	JPY23,738,245	Action research (pit construction), local employees, consumables, motor vehicle maintenance, workshop, travel	JPY21,421,252	Copier, motorcycles, laptop pc, motor vehicles
2014	JPY26,151,288	Local employees, consumables, motor vehicle maintenance, workshop, travel	JPY259,492	Laptop pc
2015	JPY18,163,325	Local employees, consumables, motor vehicle maintenance, workshop, travel		

2.2.2 Dispatch of Experts

The Project began in October 2013, followed by the dispatch of long-term experts from JICA (Table 3). In September 2015, a team of consultants was dispatched and took control of the Project (Table 4). The following is a summary of the assignment(s) of the experts at the end of March 2018.

Table 3: List of Experts Dispatched by JICA (April 2013–October 2015)

Title/Expertise	Name	Affiliation	Assignment	
			From	To
i) Long-Term Experts				
Chief Adviser/ Forest Resource Management	Mr. Akira SATO		April 10, 2013	October 3, 2015
Rural Development	Mr. Hiroyuki KANAZAWA	Primela Ltd.	April 10, 2013	October 3, 2015
Coordinator/ Forest Resource Management (Watershed Management)	Ms. Satsuki FUKAI		May 27, 2013	October 17, 2015
ii) Short-Term Experts				
Action Research	Dr. Kiyoshi MASUDA	OAFIC Co. Ltd.	May 6, 2013 October 1, 2013	September 2, 2013 January 29, 2014
Research Design	Dr. Hiroaki OKADA	Sanyu Consultants INC	May 31, 2013	June 29, 2013
Extension Strategy	Ms. Etsuko AKABANE	Japan Development Service Co. Ltd	June 23, 2014 January 9, 2015	December 21, 2014 February 23, 2015
	Mr. Hiroshi KIKUCHI	CDC International	May 10, 2015	July 8, 2015

Table 4: List of Consultants Dispatched by Contract (September 2015–April 2018)

Title/Expertise	Name	Assignment		
		From	To	Days
Team Leader/ Institutionalization 1	Mr. Masato ONOZAWA	February 2, 2016	March 1, 2016	29
		April 17, 2016	August 14, 2016	120
		January 1, 2017	February 12, 2017	36
		May 9, 2017	July 27, 2017	80
		October 28, 2017	December 19, 2017	53
		February 2, 2018	April 2, 2018	58
Deputy Team Leader/ Institutionalization 2	Mr. Kikuo OISHI, Ph.D.	September 13, 2015.	September 22, 2015	10
		November 2, 2015	December 12, 2015	41
Deputy Team Leader/ Institutionalization 2 & 3	Mr. Tomoyuki SHO	November 15, 2015	December 5, 2015	21
		April 30, 2016	May 19, 2016	26
		October 16, 2016	December 13, 2016	59

Title/Expertise	Name	Assignment		
		From	To	Days
		March 17, 2017	April 23, 2017	38
		August 6, 2017	September 11, 2017	37
Extension Technology 1	Mr. Tokio KITAMADO, Ph.D.	January 17, 2016	March 1, 2016	45
		January 24, 2017	March 9, 2017	45
		September 3, 2017	October 12, 2017	40
		February 9, 2018	March 30, 2018	50
Extension Technology 2/ Soil Conservation Technology	Ms. Naoko OGAWA	September 10, 2015	September 16, 2015	7
		March 1, 2016	March 31, 2016	31
		June 7, 2016	July 8, 2016	32
		March 3, 2017	April 16, 2017	45
		August 1, 2017	September 14, 2017	45
		January 9, 2018	February 20, 2018	43
Training Management/M&E	Ms. Mami SATO, Ph.D.	October 2, 2015	November 15, 2015	45
		May 27, 2016	June 26, 2016	31
		January 13, 2017	February 19, 2017	38
		June 20, 2017	August 3, 2017	45
Project Coordinator/Assistant Trainer 1	Ms. Kanae TANAKA, J.D.	September 20, 2015	November 26, 2015	80
		January 8, 2016	March 6, 2016	59
Project Coordinator/ Assistant Trainer 1	Ms. Ayumi UEMATSU	March 15, 2016	April 30, 2016	48
		July 19, 2016	September 4, 2016	48
Project Coordinator/ Assistant Trainer 1	Mr. Keitaro ASABA	October 28, 2017	November 27, 2017	31
		January 20, 2018	February 16, 2018	28
Project Coordinator/ Assistant Trainer 2	Ms. Tomoko KIDA	March 18, 2016	April 14, 2016	28
		September 30, 2016	December 2, 2016	64
Project Coordinator/ Assistant Trainer 3	Ms. Izumi SHIRAISHI	August 26, 2016	October 6, 2016	42
		January 24, 2017	April 2, 2017	69
		April 28, 2017	July 16, 2017	80
		September 1, 2017	October 15, 2017	45
		February 16, 2018	April 2, 2018	46
(As of April 2, 2018)				1818
Project Coordinator (Trainee, Cost borne by IC Net Ltd.)	Ms. Izumi SHIRAISHI	May 21, 2016	July 28, 2016	69

2.2.3 Counterpart Training in Japan and a Third Country

To enhance the capacity of counterpart personnel, the following training took place in Japan and in Kenya (Table 5).

A total of 29 staff members, including TSTs working for the four target districts, participated in a total of 12 training courses on natural environment conservation and extension activities, including

“Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources,” “Capacity Development in Operation and Management for Extension Activities,” and “Farmer-led Extension Method (‘Curriculum Development for Motivating Farmers’). One counterpart staff member from the technical support team (TST) of Balaka participated in a training course in Kenya, “Regional Training on Adaptation to Climate Change.”

Table 5: List of Training in Japan and Third Country

Title	JFY	Duration	Name of Participant	Position	Output
Training in Japan					
Rural Community Development by Life Improvement Approach for Africa	2014	July 6–Aug. 23, 2014	Ms. A. Chagoma	CCO/Senior Community Development Assistant, Blantyre	Output 2
Regional Development by Systematic and Comprehensive Utilization of Forest Resources through Forest Certification System and Product Branding	2014	Oct. 22–Nov. 20, 2014	Mr. G. Kamanga	ARPC/Forestry Officer, Regional Forestry Office South	Output 2
Farmer-led Extension Method	2014	Jan. 13–Feb. 13, 2015	Mr. M. Dzumani	TST/Agricultural Extension and Development Coordinator, Neno	Output 2
			Ms. C. Kalinga	CCO/Agricultural Extension and Development Officer, Neno	
Capacity Improvement in Operation and Management of Extension Activity	2014	Dec. 1–19, 2014	Mr. G. Rapozo	District Commissioner, Mwanza	Output 1 & 2
			Mr. G. Kanyerere	Project Manager/District Forestry Officer, Blantyre	
			Mr. B. Mtambo	Project Manager/District Forestry Officer, Mwanza	
			Mr. C. Masanjala	TST/Forest Officer, Blantyre	
			Mr. E. Kalitsiro	TST/District Land Resources and Conservation Officer, Mwanza	
			Mr. T. Kamera	TST/Land Resources and Conservation Officer, Blantyre	
Farmer-led Extension Method	2015	Jan. 5–Feb. 5, 2016	Mr. Cleopas Lameck	Agriculture Extension and Development Coordinator, Mwanza	Output 2
Capacity Development in Operation and Management for Extension Activities	2015	Dec. 6–21, 2015	Mr. Charles Kalemba	District Commissioner, Blantyre	Output 1 & 2
			Ms. Memory Kaleso Monteiro	District Commissioner, Neno	
			Mr. Rodrick	District Commissioner,	

Title	JFY	Duration	Name of Participant	Position	Output
			Mateauma	Balaka	
			Mr. Hansford Chitenje Yusuf	Chief Policy and Programme Officer, Performance Enforcement Department, the Office of President and Cabinet	
			Mr. Martin Kausi	Programme Manager, Blantyre Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	
			Ms. Gertrude Kalinde Thaulo	Programme Manager, Machinga Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	
Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	2015	Oct. 12–Nov. 14, 2015	Mr. Drake Chiningwa	TST/Assistant Director, Mwanza Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	Output 2
Farmer-led Extension Method (Curriculum Development for Motivating Farmers)	2016	May 1–June 1, 2016	Mr. Maxwell John Moyo	CCO/Agriculture, Balaka Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	Output 2
Capacity Development in Operation and Management for Extension Activities	2016	Sep. 30–Oct. 21, 2016	Mr. Baird Simplex Nangwale	PM/District Forestry Officer, Balaka Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2
			Mr. Jafali Chisale	TST/Assistant Community Development Officer, Balaka, Ministry of Gender Children Disability and Social Welfare	
			Mr. Aubrey Macheso	TST/Forester, Neno Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	
			Mr. Inos Wandale	CCO/Forestry Assistant, Blantyre Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	
			Mr. Kalembe Devine Makwati	CCO/Forestry Assistant, Blantyre Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	
			Mr. Elias Anderson Baison	CCO/Agriculture Extension Development Officer, Neno, Department of	

Title	JFY	Duration	Name of Participant	Position	Output
				Agricultural Extension Services, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	
			Mr. Fyson Livison Seyani	CCO/Senior Forestry Assistant, Balaka Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	
Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	2016	Oct. 2–Nov. 5, 2016	Mr. Emmanuel William Ngwangwa	District Forestry Officer, Neno, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2
Farmer-led Extension Method (Curriculum Development for Motivated Farmers)	2017	May 1–June 1, 2017	Mr. Earnest Samson Nkonya	CCO/Agriculture, Blantyre Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	Output 2
Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	2017	Oct. 1–Nov. 3, 2017	Mr. Gregory Mbawala Kulemeka	District Forestry Officer, Mwanza, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2
Training in Third Country (Kenya)					
Regional Training on Adaptation to Climate Change	FY 2016	Oct. 16–Nov. 19, 2016	Mr. Farai Kafanikhale	TST/Forester, Balaka Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2

2.2.4 Provision of Materials and Equipment

The equipment necessary for operating and managing the Project, including a copier, computers, and printers, were provided. Vehicles were also provided, including 4WD pickup trucks for the TSTs and motorbikes for the CCOs of the four target districts, so that they could deliver training sessions to the Lead Farmers (LFs), who became focal points of technical transfer to other farmers and communities. The items listed in Table 6 have been transferred to the Malawian side.

Table 6: List of Materials and Equipment

#	Year	Item	Price (MWK, USD)	Quantity	Total (MWK, USD)	Delivery Date
1	2013	Copier	MWK 2,627,075.00	1	MWK 2,627,075.00	June 25, 2013
2		Computer and printers	MWK 830,878.00	5	MWK 4,154,390.00	July 30, 2013
3		Motorbike	MWK 1,207,134.08	25	MWK 30,178,352.00	October 14, 2013
4		Laptop computer	MWK 755,069.33	3	MWK 2,265,208.00	November 18, 2013

#	Year	Item	Price (MWK, USD)	Quantity	Total (MWK, USD)	Delivery Date
5		4WD pickup	USD 25,817	4	USD 103,268.00	January 14, 2014
			(Exchange rate)	432	MWK 44,611,776.00	
6	2014	Laptop computer	MWK 538,812.50	2	MWK 1,077,625.00	November 18, 2014

2.2.5 Cost of the Operation in Malawi

The Japanese side bore the costs for delivering training sessions to LFs. These costs covered such items as printing manuals, training tools, and lunch allowance. In addition, the Japanese side shouldered the fuel costs for the motorbikes ridden by CCOs and the maintenance and repair costs of the pickup trucks driven by TSTs. Moreover, the Japanese side covered the cost of providing bicycles to the Senior Lead Farmers (SLFs), who provided LFs and farmers with technical support.

2.3 Activities (Planned and Actual)

The activities of the project were modified because of the revision of the Project Design Matrix (PDM). The comparison of the activities is explained in the Annex. Section 2-4 shows the progress and achievement of the activities.

2.4 Achievements of the Project

2.4.1 Outputs and indicators

(Target values and actual values achieved at completion)

Table 7 below summarizes the achievement of the outputs.

Table 7: Major Achievements Completed by the Project

Output	Activity
Output 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numerous visits and discussions with MoNREM, MoAIWD, MoCECCD, and OPC. One field visit by newspaper reporters was implemented in April 2017. Radio and TV broadcasting in Balaka and Neno; field trips by the media implemented to collect information on the programs.
Output 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training sessions for CCOs and TSTs in the target districts were completed by June 2017. Self-assessments by CCOs and TSTs and assessments by each district on their level of understanding of the COVAMS approach were conducted in June 2017. 347 out of 367 villages in the four target districts introduced the CFMA based on the COVAMS approach. 3,745 LFs out of 3,795 nominated LFs were certified. All 435 nominated SLFs were certified.
Output 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All LFs delivered training sessions on the CFMA technologies introduced by the Project more than once. More than 80% of the villagers in the target sites participated in training on the CFMA technologies delivered by LFs.

Output	Activity
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 80% of the villagers trained by LFs practiced seedling production and contour ridge farming technologies, and around 70% of the villagers trained practiced the gully reclamation measures. • “The Soil Loss Study for Maize Gardens and Small Scale Check Dams” by Japanese experts analyzed the effectiveness of contour ridge farming and small scale check dams on soil erosion from maize gardens in the target sites and compiled a working paper in September 2015.
Output 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly meetings of CCOs and TSTs have been regularly held by each district forestry office in the four target districts. • Monthly PM meetings have been regularly held with the attendance of PMs from each target district. • The Project Team organized site visits by MoNREM, MoAIWD, MoCECCD, MCFW, donors, private companies, and other relevant organizations more than three times.

(1) Output 1: “Promotion for the target districts and ministries concerned to ensure institutionalization and budget for COVAMS is carried out.”

The activities for Output 1 were mostly completed, but a public relations seminar for private companies and a field visit by the media are scheduled before the completion of the Project. In addition, the activities of the Project were broadcast in Neno and Balaka through community radio and TV.

The three indicators are as follows: “1-1. The materials for providing information meeting the needs of at least three organizations, including the guidelines for the COVAMS approach, are prepared”; “1-2. A seminar for information sharing/PR inviting the private sector with a stake in catchment management is convened at least two (2) times”; and “1-3. A field visit inviting participants from donor/ media is organized at least two (2) times.”

i) The progress of Indicator 1-1 is as follows: the promotion of COVAMS activities has been carried out to the ministries and agencies such as the MoAIWD, the MoCECCD, and the Department of Forestry. The Project will continue to work with these ministries and agencies toward its end.

ii) Regarding Indicator 1-2, a site visits by the private sector has been carried in November, 2018. The site visit by Electricity Generation Company (Malawi) Ltd. (EGENCO MW Ltd) was attracted by the CMFA using COVAMS approach for EGENCO’s catchment management efforts in Rivirivi river watershed. The Project continues dialogue with EGENCO for soliciting support and further cooperation after the termination of the Project.

iii) For Indicator 1-3, field visits by medias such as newspaper, radio and community TV has been carried out through out through the Project. A series of TV program by a Balaka community TV station introducing COVAM was on the air in December 2017 to January 2018. A radio programs introducing COVAMS were on the air in December 2017 in Neno district.

Relevant organizations held regular meetings. In the post-Project period, the districts are expected to hold monthly meetings. In addition, the district-level initiatives will continue to try to disseminate information through community radio and/or TV in each district.

iv) The Project Team and the Department of Forestry reviewed the Guideline for Promotion of Catchment Management through Farmers' Activities (CMFA) with the COVAMS Approach for the official acknowledgment and endorsement of the document.

v) The Project Team, with the Department of Forestry, discussed with MCFW the proposed incorporation of the COVAMS approach into the curriculum and coursework of MCFW. The MCFW principal and faculty members suggested the possibility of developing a new short-term course covering the COVAMS approach or using the COVAMS approach as a case study in college courses. All parties agreed that MCFW faculty members should visit COVAMS project sites as the next step.

vi) The Project Team proposed to Local Development Fund (LDF) officials the potential integration of the inclusive training-based CMFA using the COVAMS approach into the MASAF public works program. The Project Team explained the benefits of adopting the COVAMS approach into MASAF and presented a design change proposal. Both sides agreed to discuss this further involving a top-level LDF official.

(2) Output 2: "Capacity for implementing the COVAMS approach by officers of the target districts is improved."

The activities for Output 2 were completed as planned. Training sessions in the COVAMS approach for the CCOs and TSTs in the four target districts were completed by June 2017. Subsequently, the trained CCOs and TSTs trained the Lead Farmers (LFs) and the Senior Lead Farmers (SLFs), who conduct technical training and demonstrations of the CMFA technology. The CMFA technology is a package of techniques for the CMFA, composed of tree planting and growing, contour ridge farming, and gully reclamation in the villages. LFs and SLFs are nominated by farmers at village meetings. In total, 3,795 farmers were nominated and trained as LFs, and 3,745 of them were certified as LFs in the four target districts. All of the 435 nominated SLFs were certified in the four target districts.

The indicators are as follows: "2-1. Training covering ten (10) designated subjects is carried out at least once"; "2-2. At least 80% of participants fulfill the requirements in the post-training evaluation of the training on CMFA using the COVAMS approach"; "2-3. The COVAMS approach is adopted by at least 80% of the villages (more than 296 villages out of 370 villages) within the pilot TAs"; "2-4. At least 80% of the LFs (2,910 LFs out of 3,637) elected by fellow farmers are acknowledged"; and "2-5. At least 80% of the selected SLFs (326 SLFs out of 407) are acknowledged."

i) By October 2017, the training in the 10 areas indicated in 2-1 was completed.

ii) By the end of September 2017, Indicator 2-2 was achieved. In June 2017, the Project evaluated the level of understanding of the COVAMS approach through the Performance Review Meeting that conducted self-assessment and evaluation of each district. The result shows that at least 80% of the

14 TSTs and 80% of 27 CCOs carried out their activities in compliance with the COVAMS guidelines. The self-evaluation shows that CMFA using COVAMS was higher than 3 out of 5 levels, which is satisfactory.

iii) Regarding Indicator 2-3, as of October 2017, the COVAMS approach has been implemented in 347 villages out of 367. The achievement rate is calculated as high as 95%. However, the achievement rate in Neno District is as low as 55%. This is because the activities of the Shire River Basin Management Program entered the TA Dambe (50 villages), which was originally one of the target TAs of COVAMS. The Project was forced to change its target to TA Symon (all 47 villages) in order to avoid competition. Moreover, in Blantyre District, activities are carried out at the initial target number of villages or more. This seems to be a result of the split of a single village into multiple villages in recent years.

iv) The current achievement for Indicator 2-4 is completed as of October 2017. Of the 3,795 LFs nominated between 2013 and 2017, some 3,745 LFs were given certificates. The rate for certification is 99%.

v) As of the end of October 2017, Indicator 2-5 has been achieved; all of the 435 SLFs nominated between 2015 and 2017 were certified.

vi) Introduction to lean COVAMS: since IC Net Limited took responsibility for the Project, the Project Team has been communicating deliberately with counterparts on the issue of minimizing inputs because the current setup creates dependency and will not be sustainable when the Project terminates in March 2018. Though one of the five principles of the COVAMS approach was the use of locally available resources, people involved in the Project tended to be dependent on various support provided by the Japanese side (e.g., fuel for extension work and monitoring, provision of various incentives including materials, and allowance). It is a fact that such support makes the lives of CCOs easier. To minimize negative impacts from this dependency and to secure sustainability, the Project Team proposed lean COVAMS. Lean COVAMS required minimum input for implementation on a trial basis at five villages in Mwanza District.

On March 27, 2017, the Project Team organized a workshop to prepare an action plan for lean COVAMS, inviting leaders of these villages. One new CCO was nominated to facilitate and lead the workshop. TST of Mwanza District explained how lean COVAMS is designed and prepared the activity plan for carrying out the proposed lean COVAMS through a discussion with the participants.

vii) The total number of target villages as of FY 2016/17 has increased by 345 from the initial 50 in 2013 (Table 8). The total number of households that the Project is currently working with is estimated to be as many as 45,000 through 3,000 LFs and 32 CCOs.

Table 8: Changes in the Number of Target Villages

Target Districts	Year Planned	Conservation Coordinating Officers (CCOs)	Villages (Old and New)	Households (HH)	Lead Farmers (LF)
4 Balaka, Blantyre, Mwanza, Neno	2015/16	30	217	32,333	2,186
4 Balaka, Blantyre, Mwanza, Neno	2016/17	32	345	45,750	3,047
Target Districts and TAs					
Balaka	Blantyre:	Mwanza	Neno		
TA: Chanthunya	TAs: Chigaru & Lundu	TAs: Govati & Nthache	TAs: Mlauli & Symon		

Table 9: Intervention Made by the Project (2016/17)

District	Year	Tree seedlings planted	HA Conserved	Check Dams Constructed	Gulleys Reclaimed
Blantyre	2016/17	2,803	257	1,881	23
Balaka	2016/17	213	362	352	"data collection in progress"
Mwanza	2016/17	2,893	309	7,928	2,017
Neno	2016/17	57,131	193	2,486	716
		63,040	1,121	12,647	689

- (3) Output 3: “Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified.”

The activities for Output 3 were completed as scheduled. LFs trained by the Project delivered training of the CMFA technology to their fellow farmers in the villages more than once, and the majority of villagers trained by LFs have practiced using the CMFA technology. In addition, Japanese experts conducted a study to verify the effectiveness of contour ridge farming and small-scale check dams on soil erosion in maize gardens in target sites. In September 2015, the study’s results were compiled into a working paper.

- i) The achievement of Indicator 3-1 “At least 80% of the LFs elected by the fellow farmers carry out minimum of one (1) training each subject on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach” is as follows.

According to the Household Questionnaire Survey in January 2017, 100% of the LFs were trained at least once in all technologies of tree growing, soil conservation, and gully control.

ii) Here is the achievement of Indicator 3-2 “At least 80% of the households in the villages covered by the project participate the training on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach carried out by LFs.” According to the household survey, the participation rates of residents' training for nursery training were 81.5% in the first year, 90.3% in the second year, and 88.2% in the third year. Similarly, the participation rates in the soil conservation training were 88.8%, 95.1%, and 97.0%; and the ones for the gully control training were 85.9%, 94.0%, and 97.1%, respectively.

iii) The achievement of Indicator 3-3 “At least 50% of the households in the villages covered by the project adopt the CMFA of the respective areas” is as follows: the adoption rate of seedling production was 83.8% in the first year, 89.6% in the second year, and 90.7% in the third year. The practice rate for planting trees was likewise 84.6%, 88.3%, and 87.9%. The practical rate of soil conservation technology was 88.9% in the first year, 97.2% in the second year, and 98.6% in the third year, and the practical rate of gully control technology was 69.1%, 69.2%, and 72.1% in the same way.

iv) The achievement of Indicator 3-4 “The effectiveness of the contour ridge cultivation as one of the CMFA technique using COVAMS approach is identified” is as follows: 1,103-ha maize farms in the 2014/15 agricultural period revealed that the soil erosion of 19,287 m³ (17.49 m³/ha) as a whole was prevented by soil preservation through the contour farming method ("Working Paper No. 9: Soil Loss Study for Maize Gardens and Small Scale Check Dams" submitted in September 2015).

v) Indicator 3-5 “The effectiveness of gully prevention technique as one of CMFA technique of COVAMS approach is identified” has been achieved at the end of October 2017. According to "Working Paper No. 9: Soil Loss Study for Maize Gardens and Small Scale Check Dams" submitted in September 2015, a total of 1,602 m³ of soil erosion was prevented by 21,362 check dams built in the four districts retaining approximately 0.075 m³ of soil each.

vi) Based on the advice provided by the long-term experts, the planned experiment for soil erosion has been carried out. It consists of the following four plot categories: a) 45-degree straight ridge (plot made “business as usual” practice for comparison), b) contour ridge, c) soil conservation employing mulching by various organic matters, and d) a plot using manure. However, the experiment did not reflect the complex nature of soil erosion caused by runoff water, and it was difficult to identify the factors and impact of the different preparation of the plots. The hydrological model for estimating soil erosion caused by runoff water employed in COVAMS was too simple; factors such as soil type, strength and intensity of rainfall, and slopes, were not taken into account. In addition, the site design and the locations designated by the previous team of experts were not carefully calibrated. For example, eroded soil made by the runoff water of each plot was mixed with soil from the walls of trenches and excavated banks surrounding the pit. Apart from the physical

design of the sites advised by the long-term experts, the plan of the experiment lacked the basis of a literature study on hydrology. According to a literature study by the current Project Team, an erosion estimation model predicts long-term average soil loss resulting from raindrop splash and runoff from specific field slopes in specific cropping and management systems and rangeland. In light of such shortcomings on proper approaches to analyze long-term examples, the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE), developed by the US Department of Agriculture, should be used.

vii) According to interviews during monitoring visits of experts, the yield of each experiment plot varies because of the serious draught throughout Southern Africa in 2016. Based on the observation, the plots using mulching (type c above) yielded better in 2017 because the organic matters covering the plot have conserved and retained moisture in the soil. The application of the farming technique depends on weather conditions, particularly precipitation. When much rainfall is expected, contour ridge farming is effective; when draught is expected, mulching is the most appropriate technique. The challenge for ordinary farmers was to collect and apply the appropriate amount of organic materials because they were in high demand for use as animal feed for raising cattle and goats.

viii) Between June and July 2014, a household questionnaire survey for total of 760 households randomly selected was carried out. The survey was undertaken by a team of researchers employed by the Project. The finding is summarized as follows:

- The COVAMS approach showed effectiveness and strength in extending agricultural practices within a relatively short period of time.
- Adoption of techniques (e.g., soil conservation, building check dam) exceeded 50% within one year from the beginning of the intervention.
- Seedling production within two years from the beginning of the intervention totaled over 2.3 million; average seedling production per household was 67 (please see the summary of the household survey).

(4) Output 4: “4. The commitment of the COVAMS approach among leaders of all levels is enhanced.”

The activities for Output 4 were mostly completed as planned. Monthly meetings of CCOs and TSTs have been regularly held in each target district. Furthermore, under an initiative of the Regional Forestry Office, monthly PM (Project Managers at the district level) meetings have been regularly held. In addition, the Project Team visited the key stakeholders including MoNREM, MoAIWD, MoCECCD, the Malawi College of Forestry and Wildlife (MCFW), other donors, and private firms, and explained the CMFA introduced by the Project for its institutionalization.

i) The status of Indicator 4-1 “A monthly meeting by the CCO4 -TST5 is convened regularly by the initiatives of the district forestry departments” as of October 2017 was that the COVAMS-related meeting at villages were convened regularly.

ii) The status of Indicator 4-2 “A monthly PM meeting of the target districts is convened regularly by the initiatives of the district forestry departments and other district departments concerned” at the time of writing is that the regular PM meeting is held once a month. It is believed that it will continue to be held until the Project completes in March 2018. Other current transactions on the Malawian account toward fuel for vehicles necessary to hold such meetings are not fully secured at the time of writing.

iii) Concerning Indicator 4-3 “The field visit inviting minimum of 8 officers of the ministries and districts is organized at least once by the district departments,” a field visits by various departments, districts have been carried out. A COVAMS seminar sponsored by the RFO (South) is schedule in March 2018 to disseminate CMFA using COVAMS. Participants included the current four target districts and those districts as Mangochi, Ntcheu, Machinga, as well as Zomba.

iv) Indicator 4-4 “The visit and explanation to the organizations concerned is carried out at least three (3) times by the initiatives of officers of ministry and the distract departments” has been fulfilled as of October 2017. The visits and briefings to various organizations and agencies have been implemented.

v) Radio broadcasting is considered one of the promising approaches for disseminating sustainable conservation practices in Malawi. The Department of Agriculture Extension Services of the MoAIWD used radio broadcasting to reach out to the general public and disseminate agricultural practices. Although it is an effective medium for promoting new ideas, it requires skillful development and professional production in such aspects as planning, scripting, recording, and editing by a national broadcasting station such as MBC, a national broadcasting corporation.

vi) The Project Team investigated the procedures and requirements for creating a regular broadcasting program that attracts farmers and other audiences. It was found that a reduced tariff may be applied to the public broadcasting program at MBC if a special arrangement is made between the Department of Forestry and the MoAIWD. Professional work on the part of the production side requires additional costs beyond the reduced airtime. Given the difficulty of securing financial resources from the public sector in Malawi, securing the cost of a sustainable radio program is still a challenge.

vii) Collaboration with the private sector is another untouched area to explore since the beginning of COVAMS II. The Project Team has contacted a few major corporations in Blantyre to gauge their interest in investing in COVAMS activities. The responses vary by the companies’ stated causes. As for marketing tools, the brochure produced by the previous team was updated and a local designer revised the designs for further distribution in Malawi. The Project Team continues to communicate with the prospective partners with a relatively long-term commitment.

viii) Working with other development partners such as donor agencies is another area in which opportunities may arise. The Project Team worked with World Food Programme (WFP) and World

Resource Institute (WRI) by introducing the COVAMS approach as an extension technique. CCOs have been visiting respective project sites to exchange techniques. Relevant COVAMS technical documents were given to the counterpart organizations.

2.4.2 Project Purpose and indicators

The target value is shown in section 2-4-3 with explanation.

2.4.3 Achievement of the Project Purpose

As mentioned in the previous sections, the planned outputs have been achieved or mostly achieved; the Project Purpose, “Catchment Management through Farmers Activities (CMFA) is institutionalized in the target districts” is likely to be achieved by the time of project completion in March 2018.

A discrepancy between the original indicators of the Project Purpose and the circumstances of the local planning framework led to the modification of the indicators of the PDM. The “District Strategic Development Plan” of each target district was originally intended to be a basis for budget documents of each district and was initiated originally by GTZ. According to the Directors of Planning and Development (DPD) of the four districts, the plan is no longer prepared or maintained because of a lack of resources and initiatives for the sustaining review. Table 10 summarizes the status of the plan.

Table 10: Status of District Strategic Development Plans

Item/Issue	Blantyre	Balaka	Mwanza	Neno
Availability of effective District Strategic Development Plan as of March 2018 and beyond	No	No	No	No
Current Status	District Council Strategic Development Plan (2011–16) expired in June, 2016. Updating is uncertain due to shortage of necessary resources available.	Strategic Implementation Plan (2013–18) is available and is effective until June, 2018. No clear time-frame for updating or for revision.	Strategic Implementation Plan (2011–16) expired in June, 2016. No plan for updating or for revision.	There is no District Strategic Development Plan prepared. District Development Plan is the supreme planning document.
Availability of the District Development Plan	Effective DDP (2013–18) available. No clear schedule for updating.	Preparation of DDP (2017–22?) in progress. The data of its completion is not	Preparation of the DDP in progress (completion schedule not disclosed).	An effective DDP (2013–18) is available. No clear schedule for

Item/Issue (alternatives)	Blantyre	Balaka	Mwanza	Neno
		clear due to delays in compilation.		updating.
Annual Investment Plan/Annual Implementation Plan	The Annual Investment Plan is a compilation of capital investment such as schools and roads. The Annual Implementation Plan varies from one district to another. This is an annex to the annual budget document or sometimes the budget document itself.			
	Safety guard plan is only applicable for the catchment management activities.	There are no AIPs. Only attached document on budget document is prepared.	Annual budget document prepared while there is no DDP. This lacks the justification of the budget.	AIP was prepared along with the current DDP.

The new indicators for the Project Purpose were proposed in June 2017 and modified as follows: “(1) The annual plan and the budget request for CMFA using the COVAMS approach are prepared and implemented by the district departments” and “(2) The guidelines for the COVAMS approach is acknowledged by ministries concerned.” Table 11 summarizes the achievement of the Project Purpose.

Table 11: Achievement of the Project Purpose

Project Purpose	Verifiable Indicators	Achievement
CMFA is institutionalized in the target districts.	1. The annual plan and the budget request for CMFA using the COVAMS approach are prepared and implemented by the district departments.	Achieved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The activity plans for FY 2017/18 by each target district were prepared through the review meetings and planning meetings in February and March 2017. The activity plans for FY 2018/19 and action plans by the target districts will be prepared in February and March 2018.
	2. The guidelines for the COVAMS approach ministries acknowledge concerned.	Achieved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The guidelines and manual for the COVAMS approach will be officially signed and endorsed by MoNREM, MoAIWD, and MoCECCD before JCC in 2018.

For Indicator 1, the activity plans for FY 2017/18 in each district were prepared, and the activities have been implemented based on the plan. All four districts hold review meetings to collect up-to-date information about the target villages and analyze them to prepare the activity plan for the fiscal year. However, there is no mechanism for preparing mid-term development plans and investment plans at the district level.

The preparation of the Action Plan toward the post-COVAMS period was prepared during the annual review meeting held between January and March 2018. The activity plan for FY 2018/19 and beyond was formulated. (The detail of the plan is discussed in the “2. Plan of Operation and Implementation Structure of the Malawian side to achieve the Overall Goal” in the separate Chapter: “V. For the Achievement of the Overall Goal after Project Completion “ in page 33.)

As for Indicator 2, the guidelines for the COVAMS approach have been in the finalization process at the time of terminal evaluation.

The achievement of the second indicator as of October, 2017 was that the finalization of the draft of the guidelines was completed. The long-term experts originally prepared the draft. It was reviewed

by the Department of Forestry and found that both its content and format were not fully suitable for an official document. Department of Forestry and the MoGCCD have agreed to acknowledge the document. The final draft was presented to districts in Middle Shire for further review expected in a seminar held in February, 2018.

vi) As shown in Table 7, a total of 345 villages in the four target districts have been actively involved in the COVAMS approach. In addition, five more villages are experimenting with lean COVAMS in 2017. In addition, all the counterpart organizations, which are MoNREM, MoAIWD, and MoCECCD, have acknowledged and endorsed COVAMS as their technical document for the middle Shire River basin and beyond.

vii) Moreover, it is worthwhile to discuss achievement through three elements of institutionalization, namely administration, extension, and budget/finance. Firstly, in the administration area, capacity development activities have been implemented since the beginning of the training. Interaction with the expert team as well as among the counterparts of all levels and organizations in day-to-day business transaction will help the project members to improve management. However, there is still much room for improvement. For example, reports and fuel requests must be submitted on time. Secondly, in the financial area, cooperation among different ministries is well-established in the Project. The Office of OPC in the central government is supportive of the Project's activities.

2.5 History of PDM Modification

It was necessary to revise the PDM because of a few gaps in the Project design and in order to take into account the reality of the implementation of the project. One of the major differences in the design was the absence of the preparation and updating of the district development plan. The district plan was intended to be a basis for budget documents at each district and was originally initiated by GTZ. Therefore, the plan was the key indicator to judge the achievement of the Project Purpose, "Catchment Management through Farmers Activities (CMFA) is institutionalized in the target districts." However, according to the Directors of Planning and Development (DPD) of the four districts, the plan is no longer prepared or maintained because of a lack of resources.

After consultation among the Government of Malawi, JICA, and the Project, a modification of PDM and of PO was proposed and discussed during the JCC in June 2017. The PDM Ver. 2 was approved. The new indicators along the purpose were as follows: "(1) The annual plan and the budget request for CMFA using the COVAMS approach are prepared and implemented by the district departments" and "(2) The guidelines for the COVAMS approach are acknowledged by the ministries concerned." A comparison of the original and the modified PDM is shown in the Annex.

2.6 Others

2.6.1 Results of Environmental and Social Considerations

The Project has paid specific attention to environmental and social considerations in the course of its implementation. The Project was designed in accordance with the “Country Assistance Policy for Malawi” prepared in April 2012. One of the two priority areas was to support the establishment of a foundation for the development of agriculture and mining. This includes technical cooperation for natural resource conservation, such as afforestation and catchment/watershed management, as part of adapting environmental protections against climate change. The Project was in line with the priority area of the policy. The policy priority on catchment management and environment conservation in the Shire River Basin and the four target districts remains the same since the beginning of the Project.

Technical cooperation projects such as COVAMS II focus on human capacity development for counterpart personnel. Topics raised during the counterpart training in Japan and in the third country such as “promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources,” “Capacity Development in Operation and Management for Extension Activities,” and “Farmer-led Extension Method (‘Curriculum Development for Motivating Farmers’)” were introduced to enhance the capacity of appropriate counterpart personnel.

To sustain the effects derived from the Project Activities, CMFA using COVAMS approach has been introduced in some schools as Environmental Education. A TST from Mwanza District who participated in training in Japan under the Project introduced the CMFA during Environmental Education at the Tsupe Primary School in Chali Village. Through technical transfer of the CMFA technology from CCOs to the teachers in the school, the 5th and 6th grade students have been practicing seedling production and tree planting and growing, contour ridge farming, and manure production. The TST expects the students to understand the importance of catchment management and forest conservation so that they will practice the CMFA when they become adults. The TST also expects their parents to understand the importance of the CMFA and acquire knowledge and technologies from their children. In Neno, TSTs also initiated the introduction of the CMFA in schools.

2.6.2 Results of Considerations on Gender/Peace Building/Poverty Reduction

(1) Gender Consideration

It has been pointed out that gender inequality is persistent in decision-making and social participation in Malawi, while at least 70% of the workforce engaging in the agricultural sector in

the country consists of women. The rights of women in Malawi to use and own land are not equal to those of men.

Pursuing gender equality is one of the most important issues for promoting poverty alleviation as part of the national development goal in Malawi. It is important to strengthen women's involvement in food security and other agricultural production. Therefore, both the National Poverty Reduction Policy and the Development Strategy address strengthening women's roles for rural development.

The Project ensures equal opportunities to all village members by giving access to new technologies without selecting beneficiaries in the target villages; all villagers interested in the activities receive interventions by the Project. The selection of LFs who play an important role in extending the COVAMS technologies, for example, is based on popular votes by the members of the community. To make the election process fair and accountable, the Project discusses and consults with local leaders to pay attention and support the process. The election of LFs focuses on their abilities, and not on a quota based on gender. The COVAMS training is planned and carried out repeatedly, as it is necessary to ensure the participation of all villagers. By providing many opportunities for training, the Project pays special attention to female community members and encourages the participation of those who are pregnant and those who are busy raising their children and running house errands.

(2) Consideration for Poverty Alleviation

The Project has been implemented in accordance with the Malawi Growth and Development Strategy III (MGDS III). MGDS III is a five-year economic development plan as well as a poverty reduction strategy. The overall objective of the MGDS III is “to move Malawi to a productive, competitive and resilient nation through sustainable economic growth, energy, industrial and infrastructure development while addressing water, climate change and environmental management and population challenges.”

MGDS III lists five priority areas along with eight development issues, while emphasizing the growth of the economy as well as ensuring access to basic services. The forestry sector is discussed in Priority Area 1: “Agriculture, Water Development and Climate Change Management.” This has been consistent with the previous issues of MGDS. Table 11 shows the selected strategies for poverty reduction and the related intervention/technologies promoted by COVAMS II (Table 12).

The COVAMS approach emphasizes the provision of equal opportunities to the target population. To this end, the entire target population has access to the COVAMS training; there is no pre-selection of participants. The COVAMS approach upgrades technologies and knowledge shared by the whole

community and contributes to poverty reduction via the selected strategies derived from MGDS III. This is unprecedented with regards to conventional extension methodologies.¹

Table 12: COVAMS Interventions and Selected Strategies of MGDS III

MGDS III		COVAMS II
(Priority Area 1: Agriculture, Water Development and Climate Change Management)		
Goal: To achieve sustainable agricultural transformation and water development that is adaptive to climate change and enhances ecosystem services.		Goal: Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) are widely implemented in target districts
Outcome	Selected strategies in the MGDS III related to COVAMS II	Technology and Techniques Introduced by COVAMS II
Increased agricultural production and productivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting and strengthening agricultural extension and rural advisory services • Supporting inclusive agricultural innovation systems for research, technology generation, and dissemination • Promoting reforms of agricultural institutions and programs to make them more sustainable and cost-effective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Project has been working with extension departments of the three ministries • It has taken an inclusive approach for technology dissemination • With low input and the number of beneficiaries engaged by the Project, the COVAMS approach is considered cost-effective
Improved nutrition and food security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting food and nutrition education for all • Promoting education and research into use, propagation, and conservation of indigenous Malawian food. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation agriculture promoted by the Project increases agricultural production to enhance food security
Enhanced agricultural risk management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting climate-smart agriculture and sustainable land and water management • Promoting integrated soil fertility management • Promoting integrated conservation and use of Malawi's rich agro-biodiversity • Harmonize key messages and incentives on climate-smart agriculture and sustainable land and water management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation agriculture (e.g., contour ridge firming, and use of manure) introduced • Tree growing and planting using local species
Increased access to water resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing rainwater harvesting, conservation and utilization • Promoting empowerment of local communities to properly develop and manage catchment areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of contour ridge farming for water conservation and prevention of soil loss • Promoting CMFA in the vast target area

¹ The conventional extension methodology starts from selecting representatives such as farmers with good reputations and leadership. This method always leaves concerns about excluding the poor in a community.

Chapter 3. Results of Joint Review

3.1 Results of Review based on DAC Evaluation Criteria

3.1.1 Relevance

The relevance of the Project is high, and it is expected to remain relevant until its conclusion.

(1) Consistency with the development policy of Malawi

The Project has been consistent with the national forest policies of Malawi since the time of ex-ante evaluation until the time of terminal evaluation.

The Government of Malawi adopted the “National Forest Policy” in 1996 and the “National Forest Programme” in 2000 for sustainable forest management and the improvement of socio-economic benefits through the prevention of resource degradation by employing community-based forest management and the sustainable use of forest resources for timbers and fuel.

After reviewing the “National Forest Policy 1996” through a consultative process with a wide range of stakeholders to solicit their views on the implementation gaps, the Government of Malawi launched a successive forest policy, the “National Forest Policy 2016,” in June 2016. The goal of this policy is the conservation, establishment, protection and management of trees and forests for the sustainable development of Malawi. The policy aims at promoting strategies that will contribute to increasing forest cover by 2% (from the current 28% to 30%) by 2021, and the sustainable management of existing forest resources.

The nine overall policy objectives include the provision of an enabling framework to promote the participation of local communities, civil society, and the private sector in forest conservation and management; the promotion of tree growing by all sections of the communities in order to achieve sustainability and self-sufficiency in wood and forest-derived products and services; the promotion of the sustainable management of forests for the protection of the environment, conservation of biodiversity, and climate change management; the promotion of the development of initiatives for adequate and sustainable short, medium, and long-term financing mechanisms for the forestry sector and its contribution to GDP; and the enhancement of the development of requisite human resources commensurate with the implementation of the policy.

In addition, in June 2017, the “National Forest Landscape Restoration Strategy” (NFLR Strategy) was launched to address the national goals by 2020, including the improvement of food security, an increase in energy sources, an increase in climate resilience, the improvement of water quality and supply, and the alleviation of poverty. The NFLR Strategy also aims at accelerating the

implementation of the National Forest Policy 2016. It contains action plans in the areas of community forest and woodlots, forest management, soil and water conservation, and river and stream bank restoration for the period from 2018 to 2020.

(2) Consistency with the needs of Malawi and the target districts

The Project has been consistent with the development needs of Malawi and the target areas for catchment management of the Middle Shire River Basin through soil conservation and reforestation since the ex-ante evaluation.

According to the National Forest Policy 2016, the estimated deforestation rate is 2.8%, representing an annual average loss of 250,000 ha of forest cover. The direct causes of deforestation include agricultural expansion, human settlement, uncontrolled fires, unsustainable harvesting for energy in the forms of charcoal and firewood, and timber requirements.

Although the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach has been disseminated and broadly practiced in the four target districts through the activities of the target villages with interventions of the Project, further promotion of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach is required because it takes a long time to bring about effective catchment management to mitigate soil erosion and recovery of degraded forests in the Middle Shire River Basin. In fact, while forest conservation activities have been promoted in the four target districts, illegal logging for charcoal production and firewood have continued and deforestation has not been stopped. In particular, the consumption of charcoal in Blantyre has been growing with the growing population because charcoal is the main source of energy. On the other hand, siltation into the Shire River has adversely affected hydropower generation, which is an alternative energy source in the region and across the whole country.

(3) Consistency with the Japanese ODA policy for Malawi

The Project was consistent with Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) policy for Malawi at the time of the ex-ante evaluation.

The Government of Japan formulated and launched the "Country Assistance Policy for Malawi" in April 2012. One of the two priority areas is the support for the establishment of a foundation for the development of agriculture and mining. It includes cooperation for natural resource conservation, such as afforestation and catchment/watershed management, as part of adaptation for environmental protections and against climate change.

3.1.2 Effectiveness

At the time of the terminal evaluation, it can be judged that the effectiveness of the Project is high because the Project Purpose is likely to be achieved by the outputs produced, although there is still room to enhance institutionalization of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach.

For the institutionalization of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach, the Project established a mechanism to prepare activity plans at the district level through coordination among the stakeholders. In addition, the effective and useful guidelines and manual for implementing the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach on the ground was elaborated by the Project and will be officially endorsed by the key ministries. However, for more effective institutionalization, it was necessary for the Project to incorporate a component in order to establish a mechanism to mobilize financial resources from both district councils and external sources including donors and NGOs. Additionally, it was essential to promote institutionalization to mobilize resources at the central level in order to facilitate coordination among the stakeholders at the central level for continuation and dissemination of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach on the ground.

On the other hand, the Project has brought about prominent effects to promote institutionalization of catchment management in the four target districts. There are two driving forces: farmer-to-farmer training and extension activities by the COVAMS approach, and the locally adequate and applicable CMFA technology.

The COVAMS approach is highly effective for training farmers and disseminating targeted technologies and techniques through the cascade of technical transfer from CCOs and TSTs to SLFs and LFs, and from SLFs and LFs to farmers, within a short timeframe and with broader coverage compared with other conventional training or dissemination approaches. Through the project activities, 32 CCOs, 435 SLFs, and 3,745 LFs were trained for the past five years and have been engaged in training and dissemination activities in their target villages. Their activities have covered 347 villages with more than 45,000 households in the four target districts at the time of the terminal evaluation. The coverage of the Project has dramatically increased from 50 villages in 2013 when the Project started. In addition, many villagers have continuously practiced using the CMFA technology that they were trained to use through the Project, although there are slow adopters among them.

The three techniques for CMFA selected by the Project, tree planting and growing, contour ridge farming, and gully reclamation, are effective for wide dissemination and can be practiced in the target villages. As of FY 2015/16, the results from the practices of the CMFA technology are as follows: the number of seedlings planted in 217 villages was 234,872; the size of land conserved was 272 ha; the number of check dams constructed to recover gullies was 14,020.

As for tree planting and growing, the farmers can produce seedlings for their individual use for firewood, which can reduce illegal logging. Furthermore, they have effectively planted trees in

communal woodlots for forest conservation and reforestation, as well as in their maize gardens or along riverbanks to prevent soil erosion. The contour ridge farming techniques, including marker ridges and box ridges, increase water harvest from rainfalls in their maize gardens and reduce soil erosion. As a result, many farmers adopting the CMFA technology were able to increase their maize production with less farmland and less workload. In the villages with constructed check dams, soil erosion has been reduced and sediments of soils have recovered the gullies.

It is noteworthy that the key success factor of the broader dissemination of the CMFA technology is the use of locally available resources. For tree planting and growing, the villagers in some villages have been engaged in community-based tree planting for natural regeneration activities conducted by the Regional Forestry Office, which focuses on planting indigenous species through truncheon propagation. Moreover, contour ridge farming has been traditionally and widely practiced in the target villages, but in an ineffective manner. Therefore, the villagers can easily adopt the improved and more effective contour ridge farming, with appropriate alignment of ridges based on accurate marker ridges, and with box ridges to harvest water. For gully reclamation, check dams were constructed using locally available materials in each target village, such as stones, rocks, and branches.

3.1.3 Efficiency

Although there were some constraints against efficient implementation of the Project activities, the overall efficiency of the Project was high at the time of the terminal evaluation. This is because the inputs for the Project efficiently produced the planned outputs and the greater outcomes with the broader coverage of capacity development and dissemination of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach.

At the time of the terminal evaluation, the inputs by the Japanese side were made mostly as planned. The quantity of inputs, including the number of Japanese experts dispatched and the number of equipment items provided, was sufficient. Additionally, the expertise of each Japanese expert was adequate. However, frequent replacements of the short-term experts since 2015 reduced the efficiency of the Project activities because the experts needed to learn and understand the situations of the target sites. Moreover, the quality and specifications of equipment prevented efficient activities of the TSTs and CCOs at the district level. The pickup trucks and motorbikes provided by the Japanese side, which are essential for conducting extension activities, were broken and repaired. The repairs were time-consuming and costly.

The inputs by the Malawian side were partially made. The number of counterparts, particularly TSTs and CCOs, was sufficient to efficiently deliver training for LFs. However, the Malawian side has not

covered the necessary costs, including fuel costs for the motorbikes, because of the budget constraints of the Government of Malawi. Furthermore, the posting of new DCs in the three target districts besides Balaka slowed down decision-making on the Project activities at the district level for a certain period.

However, the coordination mechanism established by the Project made it possible to mobilize inputs in the target villages efficiently and avoid duplication of interventions by other projects and programs. In particular, under coordination among the three line ministries of MoNREM, MoAIWD, and MoCECCD, which was a time-consuming and labor-intensive process, the Project activities were well-coordinated through efficient mobilization of CCOs and TSTs, although they were extension officers or district officers from different sectors of forestry, agriculture, and community development.

Furthermore, although the Project minimized the inputs for training and dissemination activities, the coverage of the training and dissemination activities was sizable because around 350 villagers and more than 45,000 households have practiced the CMFA introduced by the Project. The prominent coverage of the activities greatly contributes to the high efficiency of the Project.

3.1.4 Impact

(1) Achievement of the Overall Goal

It is highly likely that the Overall Goal will be achieved by efforts of the post-COVAMS villages, and support by the three counterpart ministries and the District Councils, as well as other donors and NGOs.

As mentioned above, the Project has already extended the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach in five villages in non-targeted TAs in Mwanza through the lean COVAMS approach with minimum input. Additionally, some TAs neighboring the TAs targeted by the Project have already requested introduction of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach because they have recognized its effects. In addition, in the post-COVAMS villages, the activities related to catchment management have been supported by other government programs or other donors and NGOs through mobilization of SLFs and LFs trained by the Project.

To ensure the attainment of the Overall Goal for the post-COVAMS period, it is essential to prepare action plans at the district level for disseminating and upgrading the CMFA and establish a mechanism to mobilize necessary resources for sustaining the CMFA in order to contribute to effective catchment management in the Middle Shire River Basin.

(2) Other impact

At the time of the terminal evaluation, no negative impact was observed, while the following positive impacts have been identified.

1) Improvement of Agricultural Production in the Target Villages

According to the farmers and LFs interviewed by the terminal evaluation mission, agricultural production, mainly maize production, has increased after the introduction of the improved contour ridge farming promoted by the Project. They mentioned that improvement of water harvest enabled a higher yield of maize production with less farming plots and a lighter work load, as mentioned above. Although it is hard to objectively verify the impacts on agricultural production at the time of terminal evaluation because no monitoring data were available, the farmers interviewed by the Evaluation Team in the target villages testified that their maize production more than tripled through application of the improved contour ridge farming without expensive chemical fertilizers.

2) Recovery of Forests in the Post-COVAMS Villages

Through the site visits in the post-COVAMS villages, it was confirmed that reforestation has been progressing through the CMFA introduced by the Project, although it is difficult to verify the impacts on reforestation objectively because of limited monitoring data at the time of the terminal evaluation.

3) Introduction of CMFA during Environmental Education at School

A TST from Mwanza District, who participated in the training in Japan under the Project, introduced the CMFA during Environmental Education at the Tsupe Primary School in Chali Village. Through technical transfer of the CMFA technology from CCOs to the teachers in the school, the 5th and 6th grade students have been practicing seedling production and tree planting and growing, contour ridge farming, and manure production. The TST expects the students to understand the importance of catchment management and forest conservation, and practice the CMFA when they become adults. They also expect their parents to understand the importance of the CMFA, and acquire the knowledge and technologies from their children. In Neno, TSTs also initiated the introduction of the CMFA in schools.

4) Well-coordinated and Harmonized Extension Service Delivery at the District Level

Under the implementation of the Project, the three ministries have been involved in the Project activities at all national, regional, and district levels, in particular for training and extension of the CMFA. As a result, CCOs and TSTs have been able to deliver coordinated and harmonized technical support and extension services covering multi-sectoral issues for the CMFA for SLFs and LFs. This is because they have learned the CMFA technology, covering techniques of forestry, farming, and soil conservation, while they have different backgrounds as extension officers or district officers from the sectors of forestry, agriculture, and community development. In addition, the approach of CCOs and TSTs enabled the extension of activities by MoCECCD, although only one extension officer for community development was deployed in each district. Moreover, the Project

demonstrated a good practice of well-coordinated and harmonized extension service through CCOs and TSTs, while MoAIWD was reorganizing their extension services to be integrated into a one-stop service under one extension officer to cover various issues under the mandates of MoAIWD.

5) Strengthened Local Leadership of SLFs and LFs

In the four target districts, 3,745 certified LFs and 435 certified SLFs are fairly confident as not only technical leaders to demonstrate and disseminate technologies and techniques, but also “Change Agents” for development in their villages. They are expected to be focal points to introduce and disseminate new technologies for conserving natural resources and improving agricultural production, thereby contributing to the improvement of livelihood in their villages, as well as catchment management in the Middle Shire River Basin. In fact, their leadership has been appreciated by other donors and NGOs for effectively implementing their support in the post-COVAMS villages, as mentioned earlier.

3.1.5 Sustainability

For the Project, sustainability can be verified by the continuity of the CMFA by the post-COVAMS villages. The sustainability of the effects of the Project is expected to be ensured to some extent after the completion of the Project, from the political/institutional, organizational, technical, and financial aspects. However, there are still some challenges remaining.

(1) Political/institutional aspect

There is no change in policy priority on catchment management and environment conservation in the Shire River Basin and the target four districts.

Under the “National Forest Policy 2016,” deforestation and forest degradation control is aspired by a holistic approach to sustainable forest management. The policy priority areas, such as community-based forest management, capacity development of the forest sector, and financing mechanisms, will endorse the continuity of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach in the four target districts.

(2) Organizational aspect

The extension mechanism based on the COVAMS approach is expected to be sustained because SLFs trained by the Project can continuously play a role as focal points of technical transfer and backstop for LFs and their fellow farmers. However, there are concerns on how to motivate them continuously and keep their roles in the villages without further inputs for training fellow farmers after the Project completion, although they are confident as SLFs or LFs. In addition, LFs may leave their villages as migrating workers to other areas, in particular in Mwanza District, a border area

with Mozambique, when they face severe food insecurity, because they depend heavily on subsistence farming and have no other alternative income source besides illegal charcoal production. On the other hand, posting the officers involved in the Project to non-Project areas may promote the dissemination of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach.

Additionally, there are concerns about the sustainability of the coordination mechanisms established by the Project. At the district level, the meetings of CCOs and TSTs will continue, but may be less frequent because of their limited mobility without support for the maintenance of motorbikes and procurement of fuel by the Project. In addition, it might be more challenging to sustain the coordination mechanism at a regional level without financial support by the Project.

(3) Technical aspect

The key issue to ensure technical sustainability is the continuity of activities by SLFs and LFs trained by the Project. Periodical follow-ups by TSTs and CCOs are essential for SLFs and LFs, including technical advice on the ground. Such follow-up activities by TSTs and CCOs can motivate and encourage them to continue their activities to technically support their fellow farmers and practice new technologies and techniques for catchment management, which can benefit their livelihoods. At the same time, CCOs and TSTs can identify the needs of SLFs and LFs to keep or upgrade their activities.

4) Financial aspect

The budget sources at any level are very limited and the development budget of Malawi heavily depends on external sources from donors and NGOs. Although the counterpart budget to cover the recurrent costs related to the project activities should have been allocated by the Malawian side, very limited amounts were allocated for the first period, and no budget was allocated for the last period due to the national budget constraint. Therefore, the budget sources of Malawi without external sources is hardly expected to ensure financial sustainability.

Under such situation, the Project introduced the lean COVAMS approach, which minimizes inputs for training on the ground. This can help reduce the required budget for dissemination of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach. However, the activities can be slowed down and scaled down without external support.

Furthermore, the Project tried to mobilize alternative financial resources, including the tobacco levy, the Forest Development and Management Fund (FDMF), the Malawi Social Action Fund (MASAF), and the Shire River Basin Management Program. For Blantyre District, the safety net budget can be mobilized for the CFMA. In addition, because of the higher yield of agricultural production by the improved contour ridge farming without expensive chemical fertilizer, a budget for the fertilizer

subsidy program, which has not been efficiently disbursed, is expected to be allocated to other programs related to catchment management through rolling out the improved contour ridge farming.

3.2 Key Factors Affecting Implementation and Outcomes

Overall, the major risk associated with the implementation of COVAMS is funding, as discussed in Section 1-3-2 Output 2. In addition, it should be noted that the current state of the activities and the achievements vary from one district to another because of the differences in their conditions and circumstances such as staffing, physical location, and climate conditions in a particular year.

(1) Project activities at the district level were suspended from time to time because of the late disbursement of resources through mistakes and failure. With help from other district members, the cause of the problem and challenges were analyzed and the situation was set back on track.

(2) Activities were suspended owing to the absence of the core management team as a result of overlapping duties and assignments. The responsibility of implementing activities was transferred to the substitute while they were out of town. The operation of TOT was too complex for unskilled individuals when the PM and core management were not available. The backlog of a planned TOT was cleared and recovered.

(3) Funding disbursement from the government has been a persistent challenge for the Project. When aiming beyond the termination, it may cause difficulty. Regarding actions to mitigate the situation, the involvement of officers of the central government shall be strengthened, for better coordination and policy formulation for promotion of CMFA using the COVAMS approach.

3.3 Evaluation on the Results of Project Risk Management

(1) The situation was soon resolved when the Regional Forestry Office started coordinating. As seen in the incident, peer-to-peer learning, as well as oversight from the Regional Forestry Officer, is key for maintaining collaboration.

(2) The situation was resolved when the officers returned to town. The scheduling and delegation of important tasks is key.

(3) The funding situation may not change significantly. Diversifying the funding through different channels is one way of mitigating such risk.

3.4 Lessons Learned

3.4.1 Effectiveness and efficiency of capacity development through the COVAMS approach

The COVAMS approach realized the effective dissemination of CMFA technologies based on farmer-to-farmer technical transfer, through the two-year intensive intervention with limited training inputs, which enabled the coverage of a larger number of villages in the short run. In addition, the very simple, locally appropriate, and applicable techniques using locally available resources are another factor for broader dissemination and high adoption rates. While catchment management requires efforts in broader areas and in the long term, the COVAMS approach can very effectively, efficiently, and sustainably address the issues through community-based activities, and through very effective and efficient capacity development with broader coverage of areas in the short term.

3.4.2 Coordination mechanism for efficient implementation of project activities and efficient resource mobilization based on harmonized planning

Because catchment management requires to covers cross-sectorial issues, it is essential to establish coordination mechanisms at the national, regional, and district levels for the introduction of effective community-based catchment management activities. This coordination mechanism enables the efficient implementation of project activities and efficient resource mobilization based on harmonized planning to cover multi-sectorial efforts, although the process of their establishment is quite time-consuming. Therefore, at the project designing stage, stakeholder analysis is invaluable to identify which organizations can be involved in which issues, and how to make necessary implementation arrangements on both the recipient and Japanese sides.

3.4.3 Necessity of inventories for villages with interventions, for necessary follow-ups during the post project period

Although the Project has brought about great effects through dissemination of the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach, it is difficult to objectively verify them because of the absence of inventories for the villages with interventions. It is necessary to compile inventories for the villages with interventions, in order to come up with necessary follow-ups by the counterparts after the project completion, because Malawi has difficulty in mobilizing domestic resources. Therefore, it is necessary to mobilize external resources from other donors and NGOs. Additionally, because the Project aims at contributing to catchment management, it is essential to verify how the CMFA contributes to catchment management. Therefore, it is preferable to incorporate a component to

make the inventories of villages with interventions, in order to follow them up and verify impacts of the activities introduced by the Project for the goal of catchment management.

Chapter 4. For the Achievement of the Overall Goal after Project Completion

4.1 Prospects to achieve the Overall Goal

In a JICA technical cooperation project, the Overall Goal is an intended outcome resulting from the project, which is to be achieved within three to five years after completion. For this Project, such achievement is to be realized within three years after Project completion.

For Indicator 1, the Project has already extended the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach, in five villages in non-targeted TAs in Mwanza, through the lean COVAMS approach with minimized inputs, which can be applied during the post-Project period. In addition, some of the non-targeted TAs in the target districts have already requested that the Project deliver CMFA training based on the COVAMS approach, and the target districts are willing to extend the CMFA to non-target TAs after Project completion.

For Indicator 2, several cases where other donors and NGOs supported post-COVAMS villages in areas related to catchment management were identified at the time of the terminal evaluation. For example, Save the Children helped Mtambalika Village in Blantyre build large-scale check dams, covering 72.5 ha to mitigate gullies and soil erosion. Another case is the support by the World Food Programme (WFP) for Mposa Village in Blantyre, to construct storm drains to mitigate flushes by storms and heavy rains and soil erosion. WFP mobilized the SLFs and LFIs trained by the Project with community participation, using the skills introduced by the Project.

Table 13: Status of Overall Goal

Overall Goal	Verifiable Indicator	Prospects for Achievement
Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) using the COVAMS approach is widely implemented.	1. CMFA using the COVAMS approach is implemented in at least two (2) TAs other than the target districts.	Achieved. ➤ Non-target TAs in the target districts requested the Project to deliver the CMFA training based on the COVAMS approach.
	2. CMFA using COVAMS approach adopted by at least one (1) project funded by other donors in the target districts	Likely to be achieved. The local institutions at village-level (VH-SLFs-LFIs-farmers) have been strengthened by the training provided by the Project. ➤ SLFs and LFIs demonstrate leadership in local committees such as Village Development Committee and Village Environment Committees, ➤ SLFs and LFIs work as focal point for technology transfer by prospective development partners. The following support measures from other donors and NGOs have been delivered. ➤ Blantyre: WFP, Save the Children, Foundation for Irrigation for Sustainable Development (FISD), etc. ➤ Balaka: Catholic Development Commission in Malawi

Overall Goal	Verifiable Indicator	Prospects for Achievement
		(CADECOM), ➤ Neno: Evangelical Association of Malawi (EAM), Save the Children, Hunger Project, etc.

4.2 Plan of Operation and Implementation Structure of the Malawian side to achieve the Overall Goal

The Action Plan aiming at post-COVAMS was prepared and formulated during the final review meeting held between January and March 2018. Table 14 is the summary of district activities in FY2018/19 and beyond. The Action Plan was thoroughly reviewed and crosschecked during the review meeting by all four districts along with the RMT members and RFOs to be used as district-level budget planning. The plan consists of five elements of i) follow up of the COVAMS II villages, ii) dissemination of Lean COVAMS, iii) expansion of CMFA, iv) CMFA at primary schools, and v) list of prospective donors and partners. (See ANNEX 6)

The final plan was presented to District Councilors (DC) and the Directors of Planning and Development (DPD) at a Planning Meeting on March 16, 2018 to secure transferring the Post-COVAMS activities to the respective districts. The detail of the plan was explained and requested the disbursement of budget for FY2018/19 and beyond.

Implementation structure of the Malawian side toward achievement of the Overall Goal is shown in the following figure (Figure 1). DOF will be the lead agency to carry out and continue the activities to achieve the Overall Goal.

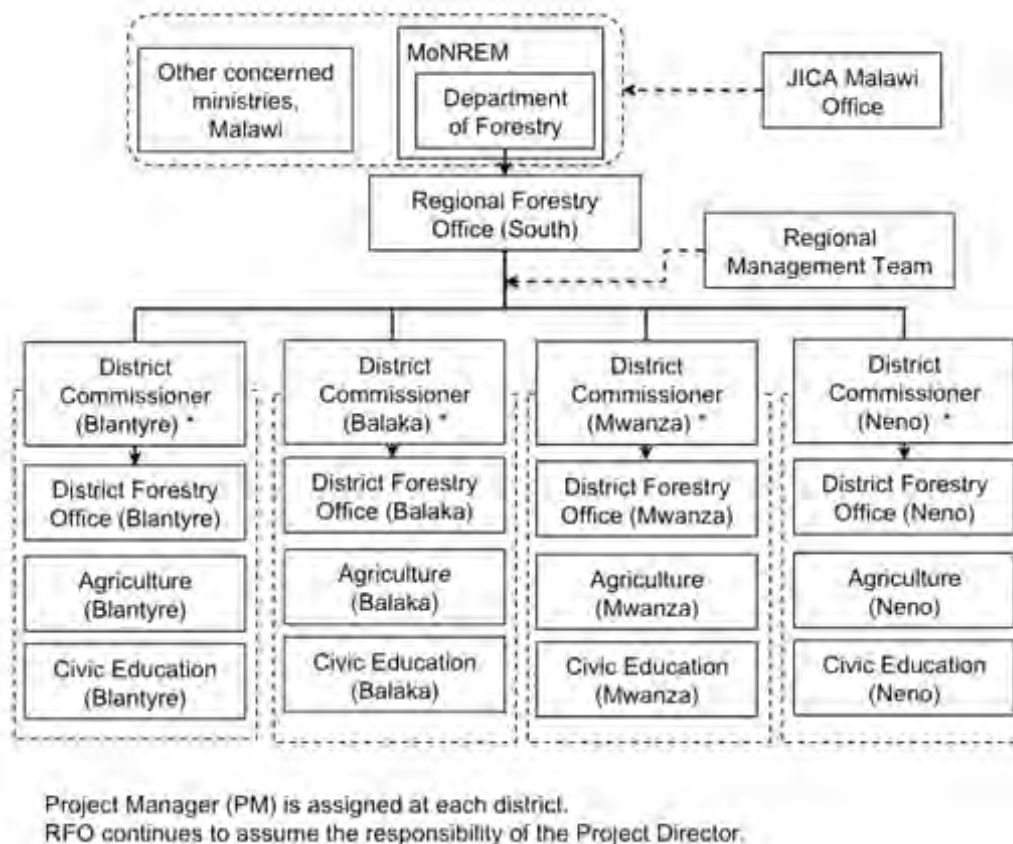


Figure 1: Implementation Structure toward achievement of Overall Goal

4.3 Recommendations for the Malawian side

4.3.1 Implementation of the Proposed Action Plan

The Malawian side should focus on the implementation of the proposed action plans for the next three years at the district level, mobilization of necessary resources for dissemination, and upgrading the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach. As mentioned above, it is recommended that the District Councils in the four target districts prepare their action plans for the next three years, disseminate the CMFA based on the COVAMS approach, reach out to other villages and TAs, and enhance the CMFA in the post-COVAMS villages. The action plans not only enable the identification of the necessary resources, including human resources, financial resources, and material resources, but also the specification of strategies to mobilize external financial resources. Then, annual activity plans and budgeting will be more feasible for training and dissemination activities at the district level.

4.3.2 Conduct monitoring activities to record changes in the sites with CMFA based on the COVAMS approach

To mobilize necessary resources for the sustainable CMFA based on the COVAMS, it is invaluable to verify and give concrete evidence of the effects of the CMFA introduced by the Project on catchment management. It would be beneficial to design and introduce a simple and feasible monitoring system to record changes, including forest coverage and soil conservation on the sites, through fixed observation using digital photos with geographical information or satellite images. These records can be used as clear evidence to help stakeholders understand the positive impacts of the CMFA introduced by the Project in order to facilitate resource mobilization.

4.4 Monitoring Plan from the End of the Project to Ex-post Evaluation

The Project intends to engage in its activities with the aim of ensuring their continuation. Specific support may be provided through visiting communities that have been involved in COVAMS from time to time. Because COVAMS activities do not emphasize physical input to the community, recognitions such as occasional visits by government officials will be well-received and encouraging. Photo albums showing the vegetation of selected sites as of the completion of the Project were prepared for the ex-post evaluation of COVAMS. One copy is stored in the headquarters of the Department of Forestry in Lilongwe, and another is kept in the Regional Forestry Office in Limbe, Blantyre.

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			28-Oct-17	19-Dec-17	53
			2-Feb-18	2-Apr-18	58
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			16-Oct-16	13-Dec-16	59
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			6-Aug-17	11-Sep-17	37
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Subject of training	Fiscal Year of Japan	Duration	Participants Name	Position	Output (Project Component)
Training In Japan					
Rural Community Development by Life Improvement Approach for Africa	FY 2014	2014 Jul. 06 - 2014 Aug. 23	Ms. A. Chagoma	CCO/Senior Community Development Assistant, Blantyre	Output 2
Regional Development by Systematic and Comprehensive Utilization of Forest Resources through Forest Certification System and Product Branding	FY 2014	2014 Oct. 22 - 2014 Nov. 20	Mr. G. Kamanga	ARPC/Forestry Officer, Regional Forestry Office South	Output 2
Capacity Improvement in Operation and Management of Extension Activity	FY 2014	2014 Dec. 01 - 2014 Dec. 19	Mr. Gift Rapozo	District Commissioner, Mwanza District	Output 1 & 2
			Mr. G. Kanyerere	Project Manager/District Forestry Officer, Blantyre	
			Mr. B. Mtambo	Project Manager/District Forestry Officer, Mwanza	
			Mr. C. Masanjala	TST/Forest Officer, Blantyre	
			Mr. E. Kalitsiro	TST/District Land Resources and Conservation Officer, Mwanza	
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Farmer-led Extension Method	FY 2014	2015 Jan. 13 - 2015 Feb. 13	Mr. M. Dzumani	TST/Agricultural Extension and Development Coordinator, Neno	Output 2
			Ms. C. Kalinga	CCO/Agricultural Extension and Development Officer, Neno	
Capacity Improvement in Operation and Management of Extension Activity	FY 2014	2014 Dec. 01-19	Mr. Gift Rapozo	District Commissioner, Mwanza District	Output 1 & 2
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			Mr. B. Mtambo	Project Manager/ District Forestry Officer, Mwanza	
			Mr. C. Masanjala	TST/ Forest Officer, Blantyre	
			Mr. E. Kalitsiro	TST/ District Land Resources and Conservation Officer, Mwanza	
			Mr. T. Kamera	TST/Land Resources and Conservation Officer, Blantyre	
Farmer-led Extension Method	FY 2015	2016 Jan. 05- Feb. 05	Mr. Cleopas Lameck	Agriculture Extension Development Coordinator/ Mwanza	Output 2
Capacity Development in Operation and Management for Extension Activities	FY 2015	2015 Dec. 06- 21	Mr. Charles Kalemba	District Commissioner, Blantyre	Output 1 & 2
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			Mr. Rodrick Mateauma	District Commissioner, Balaka	
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			Ms. Gertrude Kalinde Thaulo	Programme Manager, Machinga Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	
Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	FY 2015	2015 Oct. 12 – Nov. 14	Mr. Drake Chiningwa	TST/ Assistant Director, Mwanza Forestry Department Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	Output 2
Farmer-led Extension Method (Curriculum Development for Motivating Farmers)	FY 2016	2016 May 01 – Jun. 01	Mr. Maxwell John Moyo	CCO/ Agriculture, Balaka Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	Output 2

Subject of training	Fiscal Year of Japan	Duration	Participants Name	Position	Output (Project Component)
Capacity Development in Operation and Management for Extension Activities	FY 2016	2016 Sept. 30- Oct. 21	Mr. Baird Simplex Nangwale	PM/ District Forestry Officer, Balaka Forestry Department, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2
			Mr. Jafali Chisale	TST/ Assistant Community Development Officer, Balaka, Ministry of Gender Children Disability and Social Welfare	
			Mr. Aubrey Macheso	TST/ Forester, Neno Forestry Department, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	
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			Mr. Kalembe Devine Makwati	CCO/ Forestry Assistant, Blantyre Forestry Department, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	
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			Mr. Fyson Livison Seyani	CCO/ Senior Forestry Assistant, Balaka Forestry Department, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	
Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	FY 2016	2016 Oct. 02- Nov. 05	Mr. Emmanuel William Ngwangwa	District Forestry Officer, Neno, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2
Farmer-led Extension Method (Curriculum Development for Motivating Farmers)	FY 2017	2017 May 01 – Jun. 01	Mr. Earnest Samson Nkonya	CCO/ Agriculture, Blantyre Agriculture Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development	Output 2
Promotion of SATOYAMA Initiative: Biodiversity Conservation and Community Promotion through the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	FY 2017	2017 Oct. 01 - Nov. 03	Mr. Gregory Mbawala Kulemekwa	District Forestry Officer, Mwanza, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2
Third-country Training (Kenya)					
Regional Training on Adaptation to Climate Change	FY 2016	2016 Oct. 16 - Nov. 19	Mr. Farai Kafanikhale	TST/Forester, Balaka Forestry Department, Ministry of Natural Resources Energy and Mines	Output 1 & 2

Equipment Provided by JICA

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2		Computer and printers	830,878.00	5	4,154,390.00	2013. 07. 30	A
3		Motorbike	1,207,134.08	25	30,178,352.00	2013. 10. 14	B
4		Laptop computer	755,069.33	3	2,265,208.00	2013. 11. 18	A
5		4WD pickup	USD 25,817	4	USD 103,268.00	2014. 01. 16	A x 3, B x 1
		Exchange rate		432	44,611,776.00		
6	2014	Laptop computer	538,812.50	2	1,077,625.00	2014. 11. 18	A
				TOTAL	84,914,426.00	MKW	

Note that all equipment provided were transferred to the Malawian side.

A: Good, B: Passable, C: Out of use

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Guidelines for COVAMS Approach

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Preface

November 2017 marks a decade-long journey undertaken by Malawi and Japan. Their journey began in 2007 when COVAMS was first introduced to conserve the catchment areas, and to mitigate siltation of the Middle Shire River. The approach was first implemented in 7 villages in Blantyre. Five years later, COVAMS was upgraded to COVAMS II, and today, this approach is disseminated in 345 villages across Balaka, Blantyre, Mwanza and Neno.

To reduce siltation, COVAMS provided to villagers technical training courses on soil conservation, as well as galley controlling, soil conservation agriculture, and tree growing. Then, following its success, COVAMS II takes a step further to institutionalize the approach by fast and wide dissemination. Always aiming for effective soil conservation, it also attempts to optimize cost-effectiveness, and to disseminate other relevant technologies.

To institutionalize COVAMS beyond the 4 districts and ultimately nationwide, the Government of Malawi and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) drafted this very official guideline which carefully navigates its users to apply the COVAMS theories in their distinct environment. Should the user be a farmer, Lead Farmers (LFs), Senior Lead Farmers (SLFs), Conservation Coordination Officers (CCOs), Technical Support Team (TST) members or District Management Team (DMT) members, this guideline specifically describes the operational procedures to follow from household to district level, and how to monitor their progress.

Middle Shire River catchment area management and mitigation of siltation have become a common goal today, as Malawi faces issues related to water and electricity shortage due to climate change. COVAMS II proved its legitimacy by successfully implementing its approach in 45,705 households. Now that the decade-long journey is coming to a checkpoint, the project seeks other potential stakeholders to understand, share and sustain this opportunity.

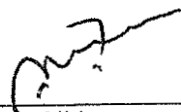
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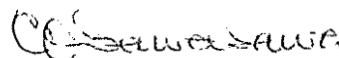
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List of Abbreviations

AOB	Any Other Business
CCO	Conservation Coordination Officer
CMFA	Catchment Management through Farmers' Activities.
COVAMS	Project for Community Vitalization Activities in Middle Shire
COVAMS II	Project for Promoting Catchment Management in Middle Shire
DMT	District Management Team
DOF	Department of Forestry
F	Female
GVH	Group Village Head
H/H	Household
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
LF	Lead Farmer
M	Male
MoAIWD	Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development
MoCECCD	Ministry of Civic Education, Culture, and Community Development
MoNREM	Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining
RMT	Regional Management Team
SLF	Senior Lead Farmer
TA	Traditional Authority
TOT	Training of Trainers
TST	Technical Support Team
VDC	Village Development Committee
VH	Village Head

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The Guidelines for COVAMS Approach contain detailed information on the requirements and operating procedures necessary for successful initiation and implementation of COVAMS approach. The Guidelines address to readers who are still new, and to users who are already accustomed to COVAMS Approach. For the former, should the readers be officers from another district, those from the private sector, or the international organization, the Guidelines should give an overview of the approach and its implementing sequence. For the latter, should the user be assigned extension workers, or managers of districts, the Guidelines should specifically describe the operational procedures to follow from household to district level, and how to monitor their progress. COVAMS Approach initially aims at the mastering of soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing¹ at village-level. Then, the approach extends its techniques to neighboring villages, through the trained LFs.

COVAMS Approach is neither to replace the conventional extension methodologies practiced in Malawi, nor to promote it as a better methodology over others. It is an option amongst others to know, when agility of extending knowledge becomes an issue. Because COVAMS approach is to intervene the target community for a period of two years, its advantage is to transfer knowledge to a large number of beneficiaries rapidly, compared to the other extension methodology. COVAMS provides extension professionals more choices in selecting suitable extension methodologies.

1 INTRODUCTION

The Project for Community Vitalization and Afforestation in Middle Shire (COVAMS) was implemented by the Department of Forestry (DOF) of the Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining (MoNREM); the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development (MoAIWD); the Ministry of Civic Education, Culture, and Community Development (MoCECCD) of the Government of Malawi; with the technical assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), to conserve catchment area in order to mitigate siltation into the Middle Shire River. The Project was launched in November 2007 and concluded in November 2012. In September 2013, it was expanded to a new Project: "Project in Catchment Management Activities in Middle Shire (COVAMS II)", covering the four districts of Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza and Neno. The Project is expected to conclude in March 2018.

COVAMS approach, an extension approach derived from the Project, is a flexible methodology encouraging farmers of the Middle Shire river basin, for conservation practices of soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing, in order to protect the catchment area in the four districts.

The approach employs low cost and easy-to-use technologies, effective for extending conservation practices in all Traditional Authority (TA) areas in all four districts within the Middle Shire.

The coverage of COVAMS is incremental – starting with a small number of villages per period of time in a TA area, before moving to another set of villages, targeting potentially interested farmers in conservation farming. The target farmers are expected to turn out to be "early adopters" and "early majority" of "diffusion of innovation model"² whose share reaches to 50% of village households (H/H).

¹ "Tree growing" in this guidelines refers to such techniques including tree seedling raising, planting and management, protection of natural vegetation, protection and conservation of trees and forest, and agroforestry.

² For example, Rogers, Everett (16 August 2003). Diffusion of Innovations, 5th Edition. Simon and Schuster. ISBN 978-0-7432-5823-4.

1.1 Essence of COVAMS Approach

1.1.1 COVAMS approach

COVAMS approach is aimed at extending conservation practice among farmers in the Middle Shire catchment area. The approach allows many farmers to practice conservation technologies and enables rapid extension in target villages at a low cost. Moreover, it addresses cross-cutting issues on catchment conservation. The approach uses villagers as trainers called as Lead Farmers (LFs). COVAMS approach is an evolutionary extension method based on the conventional approach for faster, wider and more effective dissemination of technologies.

There are five principles in COVAMS approach. They are:

- Meeting the residents' needs,
- Utilizing local instructors and resources,
- Taking place within a village,
- Making open to everyone, and
- Repeating, because it is necessary to encourage more residents to participate and practice.

1.1.2 Five principles of COVAMS approach

(1) Meeting the resident's' needs

The approach advocates simple, quick but useful and helpful training methodology in conservation.

(2) Utilizing local instructors and resources

Trainers shall be found and nominated within the villages. Use procurable and available resources in the villages to ensure sustainability of the practice.

(3) Taking place within villages

This makes it easy for everyone – even a mother with a baby on her back, or an elderly – to participate in the training, because the distance to the training venue is within reach.

(4) Open to everyone

COVAMS training is open to all H/Hs in villages where the training courses are conducted.

(5) Repeating training to encourage more residents to participate.

COVAMS aims at extending agricultural techniques at a faster and wider pace, to cover the village population. To do so, training can be repeated as necessary to meet the demand of both trained and untrained farmers. It may be postponed or rescheduled when only a few villagers can attend the training due to unforeseeable circumstances.

Its core value is to provide equal opportunity to H/Hs to undergo practical training. The approach encourages beneficiaries to replicate the activities at H/H level after receiving training using their own resources. Currently the approach extends three agricultural techniques in soil erosion control, gully control, and tree growing to promote catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA).

1.2 Content of Training Provided by COVAMS

Training items include soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing. These are the cores of COVAMS training as a method for mitigation of negative situations.

1.2.1 Soil erosion control

A combination of techniques is introduced to promote erosion control. Some examples include the following:

(1) Maize growing

- Contour hedges,
- Tool making for slope assessment and contour identification,
- Contour ridging made with box ridges,
- Soil structure improvement (manure making), and
- Swale making (e.g. construction and digging of swale).

Farmers may acknowledge the importance of soil erosion control through maize growing. The following are typical topics covered in the training:

- Elements for maize growing (fertilizer / water / soil fertility),
- Timing of planting seeds,
- Spacing,
- Weeding (timing / method), and
- Relationship among maize growing, manure application and contour ridging.

(2) Contour hedges

Contour hedges involve the construction of hedgerows with recommended plants and grasses, or along contour markers to check run-off, as well as stabilizing contour marker ridges.

(3) Tool-making for slope assessment and contour identification

- How to make a slope assessment tool,
- How to make a contour identification tool with line level, and
- How to make an A-frame.

(4) Contour ridging with box ridges

- How to assess the slope of a garden,
- How to identify contours using line level and A-frame,
- How to construct contour markers,
- How to realign planting ridges according to the contour markers, and
- How to make box ridges.

(5) Soil structure improvement

Farmers are encouraged to practice agro-forestry and to use manure, to improve soil fertility and soil structure. A “*Chimato*” method³ is commonly used to make manure. Conservation Coordinating Officers (CCOs) shall consult beforehand with the Lead Farmers (LFs) regarding the method farmers prefer to use in manure making.

(6) Swale making

Farmers are given the training of the construction of swale along the contour markers.

1.2.2 Gully control

Check dams are small- and medium-sized water retaining structures, constructed with locally available materials such as brushwood and stones.

1.2.3 Tree growing

Typical topics to promote tree growing and planting include the following;

- Introduction of tree growing and seed collection,
- Seedling production method,
- Direct sowing method,
- Natural regeneration method, and
- Tree growing-related options.

The contents of each topic are as follows:

(1) Seedling production method

This involves the collection of seeds of indigenous trees; how to raise tree seedlings up to an out-planting stage of the seedlings; and the management of the planted seedlings and woodlots.

(2) Direct sowing method

The training focuses on suitable tree species, and how to prepare sowing pits, as well as how to sow seeds.

(3) Natural regeneration method

This is done through the management of *Lizaya*⁴ in order to regenerate trees. This method involves “weeding”. It is important to introduce additional activities to have a successful natural regeneration methodology.

³ “*Chimato*” method is a composting technique that the Land Resource Conservation Department of MoAIWD is currently recommending. In this technique, soil is put between layers of organic matters; and at the end the surface of the composting heap is smeared with soil. Many farmers in Malawi already know how to make compost using this technique. Hence, the only issue to promote manure making is: how do farmers collect sufficient organic matters.

⁴ *Lizaya* is defined as a village conserved forest area where communities can use the natural tree regeneration method.

(4) Tree growing related options

Farmers may receive training on grafting and beekeeping during the second year, only if they are committed to tree growing during the first year. This may be an incentive to villagers to commit themselves to tree growing. To do so, farmers may procure planks to make beehives and requires preparing rootstocks.

1.2.4 Farming techniques and technologies

This section covers selected farming techniques and technologies that farmers may practice. Examples include the following:

1.3 Expected Outcomes from the Intervention by COVAMS

COVAMS continues its interventions in villages for a period of two years, expecting the following outcomes:

- LFs gain training skills in soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing,
- Techniques are acquired through demonstration plot prepared by each LF, and
- There are more farmers who practice all the techniques and continue the activities spontaneously.

During the initial two years, CCOs make themselves available for supporting newly elected LFs, and for providing technical know-how through Training of Trainers (TOT). The CCOs must cultivate good working relationship among all stakeholders, which is key to achieving success. The CCOs fully support the LFs during the first two years of COVAMS but such support gradually subsidizes as LFs gain more experience, making them increasingly capable to operate without the support of the CCOs. From the third year and onward, the frequency of monitoring and support (CCOs visiting LFs and their villages) may be reduced.

1.4 Operation Structure, Roles and Tasks

COVAMS approach utilizes the LF system. The LF system is an extension methodology widely practiced in Malawi. A group of community member works under the direct supervision given by a LF who offers to the group extension services related to agricultural activities in conjunction with the project. Project staff (i.e. CCOs in the case of COVAMS) is responsible for promoting and implementing sustainable agriculture technologies by collaborating LFs. LFs are prominent reference persons for village farmer-to-farmer extension services. The LFs play a major role that contributes to improving the production through technology transfer. LFs are trained to deliver specific technologies to farmers. LFs are to perform three functions: impart their knowledge on local conditions, constraints and solutions to fellow farmers; teach fellow farmers a simple set of technologies that would conserve the natural resources base; and provide means to share knowledge and information within the community.

1.4.1 Operation structure during the first year

The operation structure under COVAMS approach during the first year is illustrated in Figure 1-1.

CCOs carry out TOT to LFs in each village. LFs are expected, in turn, to train farmers in soil erosion control, gully control, and tree growing techniques. The recommended number of LFs is

one per 15 H/Hs - (up to 18 households is acceptable). A group of H/Hs under the same kinship in a part of a village is referred to as *Limana* in Chewa language.

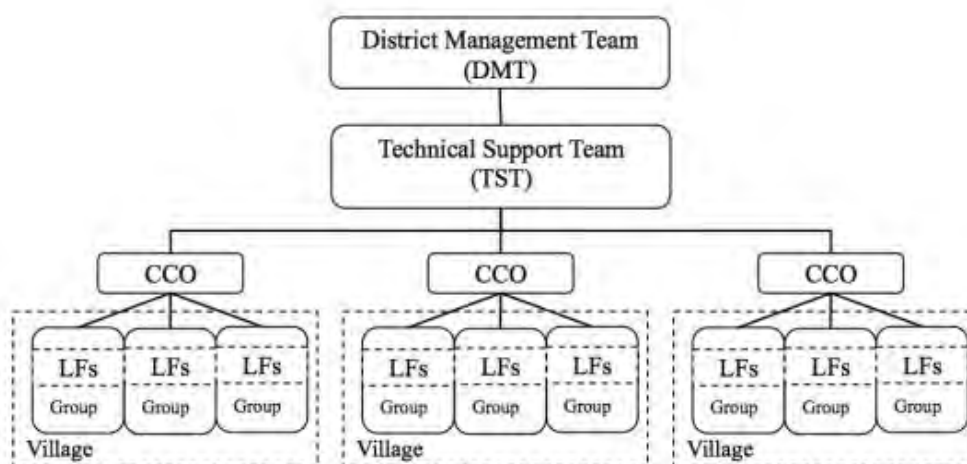


Figure 1-1 Operation Structure (First Year)

1.4.2 Operation structure during the second year

The operation structure under COVAMS approach during the second year and beyond is shifted, as shown in Figure 1-2. The number of villages covered by COVAMS increases annually as indicated in Figure 1-2. A Senior Lead Farmer (SLF) facilitating interactions with the CCOs, provides guidance to all LFs in a village. The SLF is selected by other LFs as the best performer out of all the LFs, and the CCOs appoint him / her as a SLF, based on his / her performance. For their mobility, SLFs will ideally be entitled to bicycles.

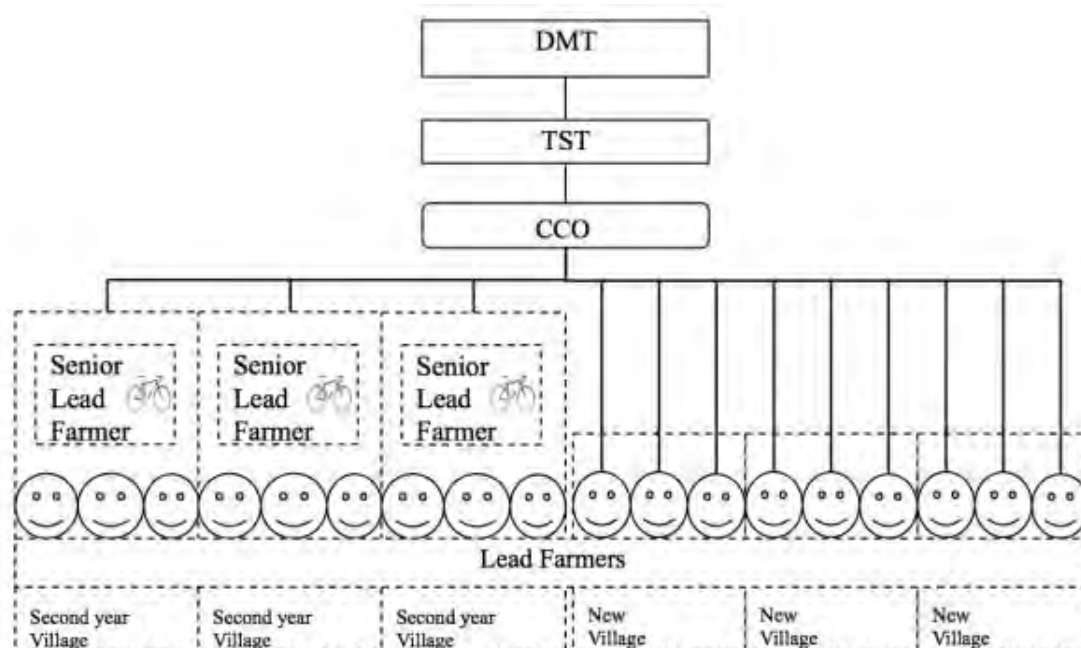


Figure 1-2 Operational Structure (Second Year)

1.4.3 Tasks of Lead Farmers

Tasks given to LFs are:

- To compile lists of H/Hs for submission to the CCOs,
- To conduct sensitization meetings (second year, optional),
- To construct demonstration plots,
- To consult with the group members on a plan for training, and inform the date of the training to all the group members,
- To conduct training on soil erosion control, gully control, and tree growing techniques,
- To provide technical support, and
- To attend the LFs' meetings and share points and conclusion of the meeting with fellow group members.

1.4.4 Tasks given to Senior Lead Farmers

Tasks given to SLFs are:

- To conduct re-sensitization meetings during the second year with Village Heads (VHs),
- To train LFs on conducting sensitization meetings (second year, optional),
- To conduct refresher courses on soil erosion control, gully control and tree planning to LFs,
- To organize LFs' meetings in their villages,
- To monitor and supervise activities carried out by LFs,
- To attend SLFs meeting organized by CCOs, and
- To report to CCOs on the activities carried out.

1.4.5 Tasks given to Conservation Coordinating Officers

The following tasks are given to CCOs:

- To collect information of target villages on the number of H/Hs,
- To conduct sensitization meetings for the first-year villages,
- To conduct TOT for LFs and SLFs,
- To assess the understanding on soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing among LFs and SLFs,
- To monitor the villagers' practice related to CMFA and to analyze progress, as well as to implement additional measures when they are necessary,
- To backstop LFs' meetings,
- To conduct monthly SLFs' meetings, and
- To submit monthly reports and work plan to TST.

1.4.6 Tasks given to Technical Support Team

The following tasks are given to TST:

- To conduct orientation on COVAMS approach to CCOs,
- To plan and conduct training for CCOs on soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing,
- To monitor CCOs' performance and assess their capacity,
- To advise measures to improve CCOs' capacity and their performance,
- To assess LFs' performance as well as those of CCOs,
- To implement the plans, and
- To submit and explain monthly reports and monthly operation plans on COVAMS approach to the DMT.

1.4.7 Tasks given to District Management Team

DMT undertakes the following:

- To draw an expansion strategy in the district and manage progress,
- To control quality of work and coordinate all activities under COVAMS,
- To sensitize TA leaders and VHs on the importance and benefit of soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing,
- To determine the number of LFs of target villages,
- To scrutinize measures and operation plans submitted by TST,
- To assess progress of training and practice on the ground, and
- To produce quarterly and annual reports.

1.4.8 The roles and responsibilities of District Management Team

DMT is responsible to oversee the day-to-day implementation of COVAMS-related activities in his / her designated district. His / her typical roles include the following:

- To keep record of extension officers, and
- To monitor the degree of enthusiasm or unity of the villagers toward development activities.

DMT shall prepare a road map⁵ on the COVAMS coverage of villages in the selected TA.

The following are the basic procedure of DMTs for leading COVAM approach:

- Identification of the number of extension officers from MoNREM, MoAIWD and MoCECCD,
- Identification of the extension officers' duty section and their residents,

⁵ Preparation of "road map" is further explained and discussed in 2.2.1

- Collection of information on the number of group villages and villages, and the number of H/Hs in each village,
- Collection of information on the villages in terms of viability in development activities and leadership,
- Determination of priority areas based on degradation of natural resources, climate condition through use of vegetation and physical maps when available, and
- Determination of the number and selection of CCOs in the designated TA.

2 OPERATION PROCEDURES

This section outlines operation procedures of COVAMS approach in the Middle Shire (Balaka, Blantyre, Mwanza and Neno Districts).

Activities during the first year have been shown separately from those during the second year, and further explanation has been provided on the linkages between activities within and across years, and geographical boundaries based on the jurisdiction of TA, group villages and villages splitting down to H/H levels.

Figure 2-1 shows steps in implementing COVAMS activities. These steps begin with the selection of TA during the first year. The process continues until the Project is in full operation going into the second year.

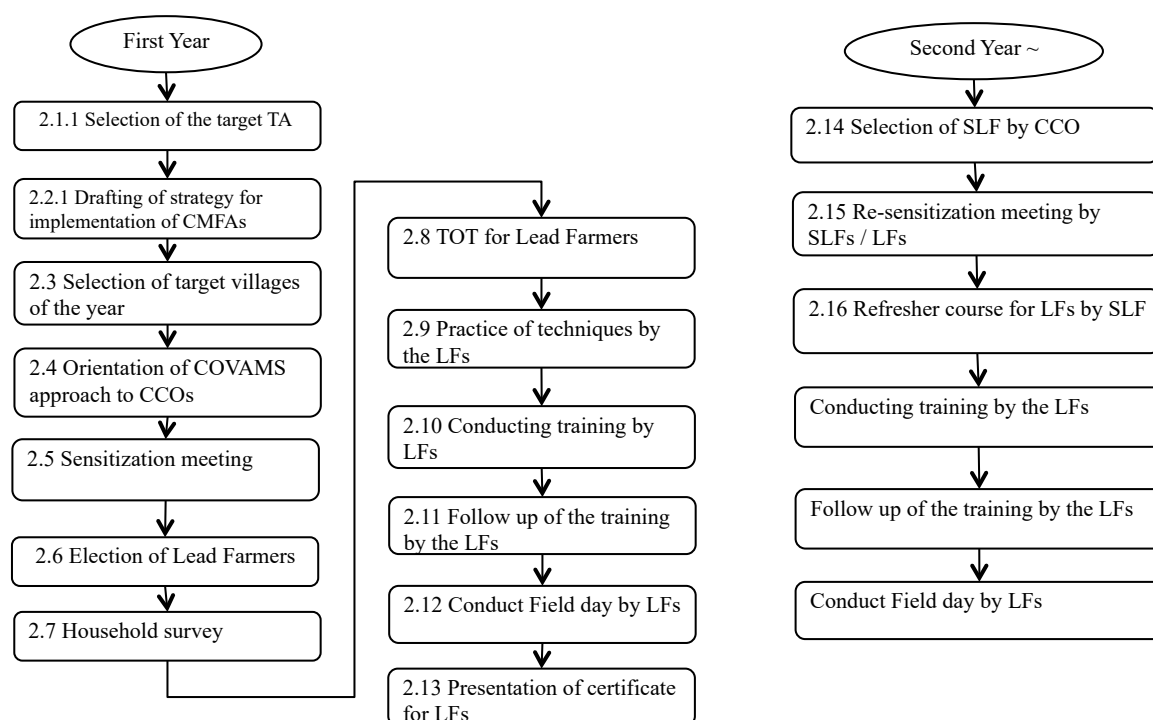


Figure 2-1 Implementing Sequence of COVAMS Approach

2.1 Selection of Traditional Authority

From a management point of view in implementing COVAMS approach, village selection over many different TAs is neither practical nor recommended. The village selection shall be focused in one particular TA to start initially. To do so, a set of criteria to prioritize the selection of TAs may be developed when the intervention using COVAMS approach is introduced. One example for prioritizing village selection may be to look into such issues as the seriousness of soil erosion and its impact to the livelihood of people affected by soil loss. It does not mean an accurate spatial data on erosion is prerequisite to start COVAMS approach. A rapid survey or a preliminary study compiling readily available data and interviews may be enough to justify the start of activities. The activities plan may be easily modified once the activities start. The necessary data of good quality becomes more available as the intervention by COVAMS continues.

2.2 Drafting Strategy for Implementation of COVAMS Approach

2.2.1 Preparation of COVAMS road map

When the selection of TA is made, DMT shall prepare a road map on how they shall cover all the villages with COVAMS approach in the selected TA. The following are the procedures for DMT to prepare the road map:

- Identification of the number of extension officers in MoNREM, MoAIWD and MoCECCD,
- Identification of the posts of extension officers on duty and their residence,
- Collection of information on the number of group villages and villages, and the number of H/Hs of each village,
- Collection of information on the villages in terms of enthusiasm of the villagers (H/Hs) for supporting development activities through identified extension officers, and
- Selection of capable CCOs in the TA and their number, and their distribution within the jurisdiction of the target TA.

DMT shall contact the departments concerned to inquire the information on the availability of extension officers assigned in the selected TA. DMT shall request the extension officers to see if the target villages are enthusiastic and supportive to village development activities intervened by COVAMS. The information is helpful for selecting the first few villages to introduce COVAMS to the TA.

To disseminate CMFAs to the target area promptly, DMT shall take some other issues into consideration. DMT shall request all the departments involved to mobilize their extension officers as much as possible. The fund to support such involvement shall be secured. The number of motorcycles available for the activities is another important consideration to ensure the mobility of extension officers to extend the coverage of COVAMS.

In case there are no motorcycles available, procuring them is an option to ensure mobility for CCOs, taking the number of villages within the target TA into consideration. Motorcycles are important for the sake of proper management of COVAMS activities, in order to secure mobility of CCOs and to maintain communication among farmers, LFs and CCOs for monitoring ongoing activities in villages. If no motorcycles are available, bicycles may be an alternative. More extension officers are needed when the same service coverage on the COVAMS roadmap is implemented.

An ideal number of villages to work with are 3 to 4 in the very first year. This is particularly so for newly assigned CCOs, because he / she is not fully familiar with what COVAMS is all about during the initial year. He/ she may realize how much commitment and effort is necessary for making effective communication and building trust in communities once COVAMS activities are initiated.

A typical operation of COVAMS approach in a TA is explained in the following sections:

2.2.2 COVAMS operation plan

Below is a hypothetical plan of operation:

(1) First year

A typical operation of COVAMS approach starts by selecting seven (7) group villages during the first year. At least three to four villages shall be enthusiastic about development activities, and such villages shall be carefully selected. These villages shall be included to give a positive influence to other villages. All the villages shall be supported by CCOs.

(2) Second year

CCOs may add three to four new villages in the same TA to expand COVAMS activities. SLFs shall be nominated from the LFs of the second-year villages, to assist the CCOs for providing support to the LFs on behalf of the CCOs. Upon nominating the SLFs, the CCOs provide SLFs another TOT covering topics such as how to organize effective sensitization meetings, and refresher courses focusing on the three techniques to LFs that the SLFs are in charge. The CCOs shall carry out training to LFs selected in the newly extended villages, while the SLFs continue training LFs in the second-year villages simultaneously, so the outreach from the COVAMS continues seamlessly. CCOs and TSTs, however, shall not leave the SLFs alone in carrying out these activities. Instead, CCOs and TSTs shall monitor how the training provided by the SLFs has been performed.

LFs are requested to repeat the same training to encourage farmers to practice and adopt the techniques promoted by COVAMS. In doing so, LFs may have acquired experience in providing training. With an expected assistance to CCOs provided by SLFs, some workload and burden of CCOs to the villages where the COVAMS activities are on-going, CCO may be reduced when the village activities continue without major issues. CCOs may be able to allocate their efforts to negotiate village leaders to join COVAMS activities.

Figure 2-2 and 2-3 illustrate a typical operation:

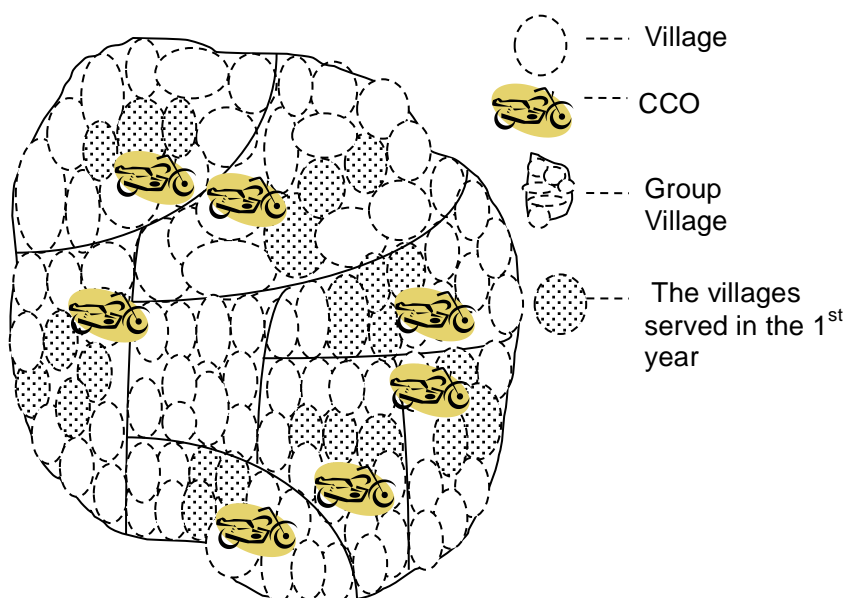


Figure 2-2: Typical TA Operation during the 1st Year

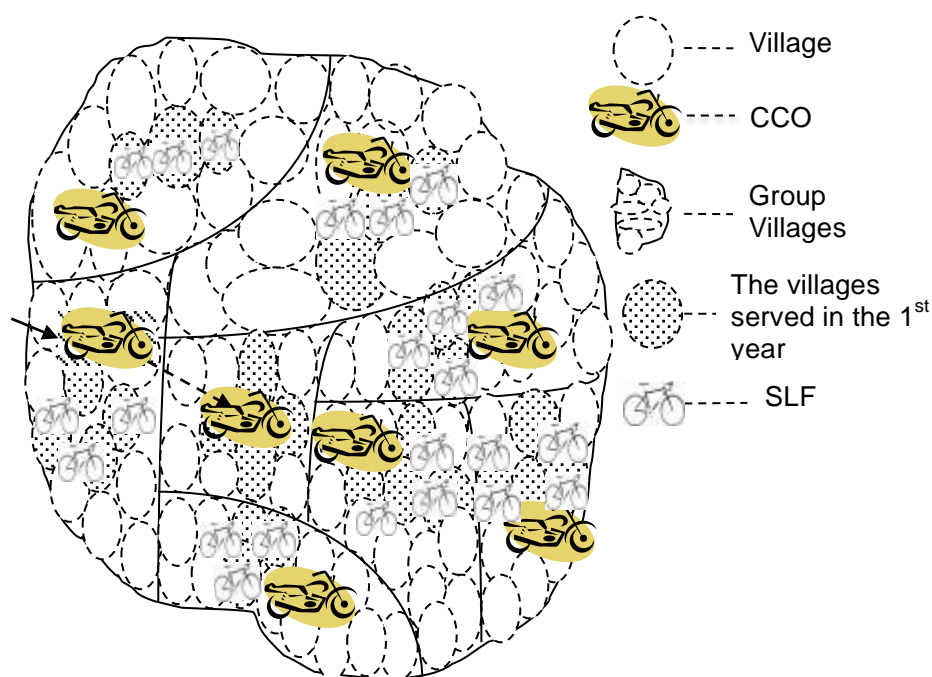


Figure 2-3 Typical TA Operation during the 2nd Year

(3) Third year

DMT shall consult with CCOs for monitoring their work progress. In the most conceivable cases, all the villages assigned to a CCO may have been covered by COVAMS activities, by the beginning of the 3rd year. DMT may request these CCOs who have completed their work in all villages they were assigned, to move on to the remaining villages and extend COVAMS in a prompt manner.

DMT is solely responsible for deciding whether to introduce COVAMS to other TAs. The minimum of 50% of the H/H adoption rate in a village is an indicator for measuring the success of the COVAMS activities. When 50% of H/Hs in a village adopts the technique in soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing without or with minimal supervision, assistance to the village is no longer needed.

2.2.3 Coordination by DMT

It is very important to have close communication with LFs / SLFs and to have frequent monitoring on their activities and farmers' practice for making the approach effective. In order to achieve this, it is very important to select committed extension officers, especially during the first year for positive impact. Therefore, DMT coordination is crucial in identifying committed extension officers and allocating them with motorcycles. In some cases, extension officers may have genuine reasons to work beyond their areas under their jurisdiction. Note that this can only be done with approval from the relevant authority.

2.2.4 Formation of Technical Support Team

TST shall be formed immediately to receive orientation on COVAMS and to assist DMT effectively.

2.3 Selection of Target Villages

2.3.1 Selection of group villages

Selection of group villages should be in accordance to the road map, considering the available extension officers and resources, unless the district is capable of covering all group villages in a TA from the beginning. Selection will be based on the information that CCOs collected in the villages. Through the experience of COVAMS project, the practice rate of the farmers becomes effective when the Group Village Head (GVH) is enthusiastic in development activities. Therefore, the priority shall be given to those villages whose GVH is enthusiastic and influential, in order to have meaningful impact to the practices of farmers, and positive influence over other group villages. The other issue that needs to be considered for the selection of group villages is the quality of extension services provided by the extension officers. A good outcome from intervention depends on the hard-working attitude of extension officers.

2.3.2 Selection of target villages of the year

As previously mentioned, the number of villages for a CCO shall be limited to three or four during the first year, so it is necessary to select the villages of the year. This experience shows that no matter how hard CCOs work, they can make very limited impact if a VH (Village Head) is negligent, and has no interest in the activities of development in his / her village. The village selection, therefore, is important for bringing success through the intervention to the TA.

2.4 Orientation to CCO

Selected CCOs will undergo orientation on COVAMS approach, organized by DMT on the usage of posters for the preparation of sensitization meetings. CCOs learn how to conduct sensitization meetings with COVAMS posters provided by DMT. The COVAMS poster shows the problematic situation of gardens, commonly observed in the Shire River basin. The poster also illustrates countermeasure activities to the above situation. It also explains benefits that may be expected from the countermeasures COVAMS activities introduce.

2.5 Sensitization Meetings

Sensitization meetings attempt to make village leaders and others aware of current issues and challenges in their villages.

2.5.1 Procedures

A sensitization process shall be carried out at three different community levels. The initial step to start COVAMS activities is to meet the TA, and to carry out sensitization meeting for the local stakeholders at the respective TA. The sensitization meeting follows by the stakeholders of the respective GVHs and the VHs, then the target villagers. The sensitization meetings shall be organized by the TA, because of enhancement of ownership in the course of intervention. Once the TA becomes aware of the necessity of introducing COVAMS activities under his / her jurisdiction, request the TA to call all the GVHs and VHs to the sensitization meeting, arranged by the TA.

Prior to the date of the planned sensitization meeting for the villagers, an invitation shall be delivered to all the H/Hs. CCO must discuss with the VH on how they are to deliver the invitation. Especially, the VH shall invite *Limana*⁶ heads, so that they may be able to deliver the invitation to the sensitization meeting, to their fellow *Limana* members. The sensitization meeting is generally held once in every village. However, if the size of the village is too large to walk until the village center, or if the number of the H/Hs is large, then the meeting may be planned more than once. In case the villagers' turnover is very poor, then the meeting shall be repeated anytime to increase the understanding of COVAMS benefits.

2.5.2 Contents of the sensitization meeting

(1) Sensitization for TA

When the above preparations are completed, DMT shall make contacts with the leaders of the TA selected, to promote and explain topics such as CMFAs, COVAMS approach, the road map, selection of group villages and villages, and how the activities will be carried out. DMT requests the TA to organize a sensitization meeting, inviting all the GVH and their Village Development Committee (VDC) members and the VH. The invitation letter shall be drafted by DMT, signed by the TA, and photocopied a sufficient number of times, for their distribution to all the GVHs and VHs.

(2) Sensitization for GVH, VH, and VDC

DMT explains the same to GVH, VH, and VDC.

(3) Sensitization for villagers

A successful promotion and implementation of CMFAs depends on whether or not villagers understand the benefit of conserving their land and tree growing. Special attention to the benefit of the villagers from practicing the technologies shall be paid, so that ownership in the activities is fostered. If there are some farmers with experience in soil conservation activities in the past, then they shall be given a chance to speak about his / her experience, such as the increase of yield, etc., during the sensitization meeting. CCOs shall explain that COVAMS

⁶ *Limana* means clan in Chewa language

approach employs the LF system. They shall also describe their expected roles in detail, so that the villagers will elect LFs effectively.

2.6 Election of Lead Farmers

Upon completion of the sensitization meeting, the villagers elect LFs. The election defines the success of the training, since it will nurture trust between LFs and the villagers. At the same time, the elected farmers will have pride on being LFs, following the electoral procedure.

One likelihood occasion is that VHs or other local leaderships appoint LFs without considering the importance of election. It is not accepted under COVAMS approach. The electoral process in COVAMS is considered as one of the most important factors for motivating LFs. Therefore, the election process for LFs is not negotiable under COVAMS.

2.6.1 Procedures for Lead Farmers' election

CCOs shall pay special attention to the following:

- CCOs are not allowed to tell villagers the number of required LFs calculated from the strategy prepared by DMT. It is because the number of H/H claimed by VHs is, in most cases, more than reality. Instead, CCOs explain the villagers to elect LFs by *Limana*, considering the number of H/H.
- A general rule is to elect one LF for every 15 H/H. The figure may be adjusted, based on the size of the solidarity (kinship) and the (social and physical) distance to the adjacent group or *Limana*⁷.
- Villagers shall be explained in advance that LFs are to be elected by a majority vote.
- The LF election may be carried out during the sensitization meetings, if the number of people present exceed the majority. The election has to be rescheduled when the attendance is small.
- CCOs are to collect all the names of the elected LFs for submission of the list to the DMT.

2.6.2 Eligibility for being a Lead Farmer

In light of its roles, the responsibilities and the tasks given, LFs must be literate.

⁷ Suppose there are two *Limana* in a hypothetical village; one is composed of 17 H/Hs and another is composed of 13 H/Hs. It makes sense to keep these two *Limana* rather than separating the *Limana* with 17 H/Hs into smaller two, or merging them together and spitting them into two *Limanas* with 15 H/Hs. If the size of a *Limana* is as small as 6 H/Hs, combine another small *Limana* unless the locations of the two are isolated. In case the size of a *Limana* is as large as 20 H/Hs, then it may be split into two *Limana*.

2.6.3 Explanation of conditions to be a Lead Farmer

Once the LFs are elected, their roles and responsibilities, as well as working conditions shall be explained clearly to them. It was observed that some of the newly elected individuals had no willingness to serve as LFs, or they quit being LFs after completing TOT. Accepting the LF position is a serious confirmation – all LFs must commit themselves to serve. CCOs shall hold an explanation with the elected LFs, to explain their expected roles and conditions, before starting TOT.

The roles and tasks given to LFs were explained in 1.4.3, and their work requirements are, but not limited to, as follows:

- to conduct a H/H survey,
- to participate in and complete TOT for LFs conducted by a CCO,
- to practice all the techniques by themselves in their premises, and
- to participate in LFs' monthly meeting.

The LFs must demonstrate the following:

- to complete a demonstration plot on the techniques in their gardens, with a minimum size of 500 m² for soil conservation,
- to make two check dams made with at least two different materials (brush wood and stones),
- to raise at least 50 tree seedlings and to plant them in their premises. Also create minimum of 20 stations using direct sowing method,
- to gain experience in conducting training on the three techniques, and
- The fellow villagers must accept the LF.

2.7 Household Survey

Guided by CCOs, LFs shall carry out H/H surveys to collect the information shown in Table 2-1.

Table 2-1 Household List (Example)

Village name: Kumpita
 Name of Lead Farmer: Hana Rodric
 Name of Limana Head: Henry Moses

Ref. No	Name of household's head	Age	Female / Male	No. of family members staying together, excluding the household head
1	Henry Moses	45	M	3
2	Elube Lazalo	50	F	2
3	James Rodric	38	M	5 LF's H/H
4	Daglas Spencer	28	M	3
5	Faines Mulaka	40	F	4
6	Peter Phiri	35	M	3

Note: The name of the H/H head used in the list shall be the registered name used for official purposes, such as the national voter registration, etc. DMT shall compile and consolidate the data on the villages as soon as it is submitted. When it is ready, DMT shall give each LF a copy of the result of the H/H survey through CCOs.

2.8 Training of Trainers for Lead Farmers and Senior Lead Farmers

Elected LF's shall participate in TOT covering all the techniques under COVAMS approach.

2.8.1 Trainer, venue and expectations

All the training is carried out by CCOs during the first year. During the second year, SLFs who received the training course in their respective villages from CCOs, may conduct refresher courses training fellow LF's in the second-year villages. TOTs to LF's in the first-year villages are conducted by CCOs, sequentially in one village at a time while smaller villages may join other larger villages. Training may take place anywhere within the village, in a building or open ground. LF's are advised to complete the training without skipping a day, to ensure the farmers acquired the necessary skills and knowledge, for further sharing with them by the end of the exercise. VH has to involve as many farmers as possible, because support from VH is key to a successful adoption, according to observation.

2.8.2 Contents of Training of Trainers

(1) Training of Trainers (first year)

There are three topics which TOT covers, namely soil erosion control, gully control, and tree growing. The contents of each subject are explained in "1.2 Content of Training Provided by COVAMS" in page 3. Additionally, facilitation skills and benefits of the techniques may be included.

(2) Refresher course (second year)

TSTs and CCOs shall analyze general skills and knowledge of the three techniques, acquired by the LF's in their districts, and identify any shortfalls LF's may have. The training contents may be redesigned and modified whenever necessary. SLFs conduct refresher courses for LF's in the second-year villages, while CCOs conduct TOT in the first-year villages. SLFs conduct refresher courses.

2.8.3 When to conduct Training of Trainers

When to carry out TOT is flexible. Whenever LF's have time, a session may be carried out. The ideal months for conducting TOT for LF's may be between May and July, so that they have ample time to practice soil erosion control, gully erosion control and tree growing techniques, before conducting training for their fellow farmers.

2.8.4 Village meeting after the training

When TOT is completed, CCO shall communicate with the VHs of each village to request a village meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to acknowledge LF's who were awarded the provisional certificate by the villagers. In addition, the roles and responsibilities of LF's shall be explained and understood by villagers.

2.9 Techniques Demonstrated by Lead Farmers

2.9.1 Soil erosion control

LFs will practice all the techniques they learnt during the training in their gardens before they start training the fellow farmers, so that they can conduct the training with confidence. At the same time, it helps LFs to know where to emphasize in each technique during the training. LFs use their own gardens for demonstration during training for *Limana* members.

2.9.2 Gully reclamation and control

Practice of several small-scale check dams with stones and brushwood in LFs' gardens or premises of their homes.

2.9.3 Tree growing

Each LF is expected to practice raising tree seedlings - at least 50 of any tree species. This practice shall start soon after TOT is completed. DMT may provide necessary inputs for the practice. CCOs must monitor seedling production such as watering and root pruning. "Direct sowing" should be practiced with 20 planting stations. Attention must be paid to land preparation for direct sowing. The time for starting direct sowing is in the beginning of the rainy season so that enough moisture can be expected. Note that DMT may provide LFs necessary inputs such as tubes and tree seeds to encourage LFs to promote the technique.

2.10 Conducting Training by Lead Farmers

2.10.1 Preparation for conducting training

Each person shall prepare the following for training. A list of items for preparation is shown in Table 2-2. The descriptions of the tasks to be carried out by each individual are explained in the following:

Table 2-2 Preparation for Training

Title / Person	• Preparation for Training
DMT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of invitation cards • Procurement of training materials • Production of manuals
CCO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanation of the training procedure • Distribution of invitation cards • Distribution of training materials • Distribution of manuals
LF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice of the techniques • Production of training plan

(1) Description of the preparation made by District Management Team

(i) Preparation of “Invitation cards” and training report materials

Prior to the training in a village, DMT shall prepare the “Invitation cards”. The cards are to be distributed to each H/H before LFs start the training.

(ii) Procurement of training materials

Under COVAMS approach, some training materials may be supplied to LFs. Specific materials to be procured depends on the availability of such materials and funds allocated. What to be procured is decided by DMT. The materials are supplied based on necessity; therefore they are not always supplied to all participants. Typical training materials required for the topics are as the following:

- Soil erosion control
 - Materials for making tools such as slope identifying tools and A-Frames
 - Strings
 - Line Levels
 - Nails
- Tree growing
 - Tubes: 100 tubes for each training
 - Tree seeds (three different sizes such as small, medium, and large)
- Gully reclamation and control
 - *Panga* knives

The training materials may be supplied to LFs during TOT.

(iii) Production of manuals

The manuals on the three techniques may be produced (photocopied) and provided to the LFs.

(2) Description of the preparation made by CCOs

(i) Explanation of training procedures

For the planning of the training, the following are some of the points to consider:

- LFs shall discuss with group members on the most convenient date and venue of conducting the training for each subject, and have a consensus amongst the members. LFs may conduct the training either jointly or individually, and
- The date and venue of the training shall be communicated to VH to seek his / her involvement.

(ii) Conducting training

- Effective training affects the participants' attainment of skills and knowledge in soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing. LFs shall pay attention to let everyone practice during the training, because COVAMS training shall emphasize on practicality rather than theory,
- All COVAMS training shall conclude in a day or two, so the villagers may have enough time to adopt the techniques back in his / her garden. LFs must make themselves available for fellow farmers to give them advice, and
- The training will be conducted by a *Limana* or any group, so anyone from a different group may join if the timing and venue are convenient for him / her. CCOs shall instruct LFs that COVAMS training is open at any time so that everyone will have multiple opportunities to participate and to take advantage of it.

(iii) Distribution of Invitation cards

- CCOs shall request LF's to distribute the cards to each household of the village on their behalf.
- VH may have to be a part of the distribution because his / her involvement affects the outcomes of COVAMS activities. The role of VH is to call for the meeting upon request of the CCO, when the handover of the invitation cards to LF's takes place.

(iv) Distribution of training materials / manuals

- If the manuals and materials are supplied, the delivery shall be completed in advance to avoid confusion. CCO must make sure that all necessary materials are ready for the training on the day of TOT.
- In addition, CCO may request LF's to find and bring materials and tools available at home (such as poles, etc.) on the date of the training.

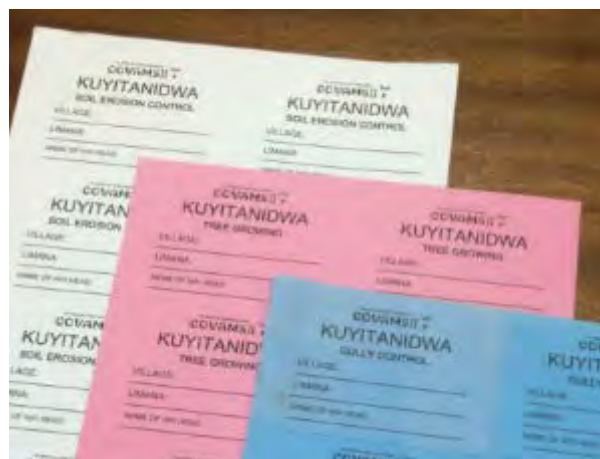


Figure 2-4 Examples of the Invitation Cards

(3) Description of the preparation made by Lead Farmers

(i) Practice of the techniques

- Prior to the training to their fellow farmers, LF's shall make sure they can make the demonstration plots as they were taught. (See Section 0 in page 17).
- LF's shall follow the explanation made by CCOs for the planning of training.

(ii) In case of unforeseeable changes in schedule, etc.

- LF's must make sure a few days before, that all the group members can attend the training as previously planned.
- If the date of the training needs to be rescheduled, consult with the group (*Limana*) members for the new date and venue. Make sure any change in schedule shall be informed to all members.
- The change of the schedule shall be informed to CCO.

2.10.2 Implementation of training

LF's shall inform the dates and venues of conducting the training to CCOs. CCOs shall visit the training to oversee and assess the implementation as much as possible. Interviewing *Limana* heads or other group members to seek their opinions on the overall performance from time to time, would be another practical method to monitor the implementation.

2.11 Follow-up of the Training

Follow-up activity means that trainers provide post-training technical and moral support to the farmers. Follow-up in COVAMS activities is primarily provided by LFs to *Limana* / group members. It is sometimes provided by CCOs when such supports appeared to be necessary.

2.11.1 Follow-up by Lead Farmers

(1) Soil erosion control

Farmers may have difficulty in the practice of making tools, identification of slopes, construction of contour markers, and realignment of planting ridges. Construction of contour markers and realignment of planting ridges are sometimes a challenge for farmers due to the complexity of the terrain of plots. LFs are expected to provide technical support when farmers face difficulties. CCOs must communicate to the community members that LFs are always available to assist them. The follow-up must be given to any farmers. It doesn't matter if the request was from an individual or group, or from those who participated in the training or not.

(2) Tree growing

Raising tree seedling doesn't require high-level techniques, as long as there is a proper selection of species. Seedling production, however, needs careful attention for watering and root pruning. Attention to keeping moisture by careful watering makes a difference in the growth of seedlings. The root pruning reduces possible risks of damages occurred during the time of transplanting. It also has a benefit of controlling growth. Therefore, it is important to monitor farmers' activities and give appropriate advice whenever necessary.

Follow-up during out-planting seedlings is necessary, especially when making a pit of the right size that fits the size of the seedling. Also, soil compaction around the seedlings after transplanting is necessary. In many cases, inadequate compaction can dry up the seedlings. Direct sowing practice requires some attention on land preparation. Clearing the weeds and preparing pits for sowing seeds are particularly important.

(3) Gully reclamation

Attention should be paid to the size of check dams. In most cases, relatively large check dams are built with stones. When the check dam is not properly constructed, it retains too much water that eventually pushes through the retaining wall, causing unexpectedly dangerous run off. Therefore, LFs shall follow-up when the farmers are to construct a relatively large check dam.

2.11.2 Follow-up by CCO

The follow-up by CCOs may primarily focus on the activities carried out by LFs. Initially, LFs may face challenges in conducting the training, and CCOs must closely follow LFs in these early stages of conducting the training. There are two ways to know the level of understanding of LFs on the techniques. One is through LFs' monthly meetings (refer to Appendix B1: Checklist for LF / SLF monthly meeting); the other is through a field visit (refer to Appendix B2: Field checklist for CCO and for LF). Due to resources and time availability, CCOs shall pay attention to organizing monthly meetings regularly and visit the field to monitor progress when necessity arises.

2.12 Arrangement of Field Day

Field Day is the most effective event among all COVAMS activities, to encourage farmers to demonstrate and learn conservation techniques. COVAMS approach recommends that LFs shall conduct Field Day in each village, aiming at maximizing participation. To make it possible, Field Day shall be conducted by LFs.

2.12.1 Preparation and training for Field Day

(1) Who shall lead Field Day

An individual or group of LFs may carry out Field Day for the entire village, or *Limana* members may use their own gardens. To make it happen, CCOs shall train LFs how to conduct Field Day events.

LFs are not always fully confident of practicing and demonstrating all three techniques. To encourage LFs who are not confident and who did not practice all the techniques in the previous season, they may continue practicing them during the current season, to improve their techniques. An invitation to become a trainer for the event shall be given to LFs who performed well in adopting and demonstrating all the techniques during the season.

(2) Arrangement for Field Day

The decision can be made by LFs together with VH. The contents of Field Day shall be a combination of the three techniques of soil erosion control, gully control, and tree growing. Field Day must take place at the LFs' gardens to demonstrate all the techniques as examples, and it may be completed as a half-day event.

(3) When would be the most appropriate time to organize the event?

Field Day shall be organized at least twice annually, considering the nature of maize growing. The first time shall be during February at vegetative stage, while another occasion would be during April at reproductive stage.

2.13 Presentation Ceremony

LFs maybe awarded by recognizing their hard work and dedication. By doing so, it motivates LFs to work harder for their communities. As such, a certificate presentation ceremony may be taken place in the presence of government senior officials such as District Commissioners, Project Managers (PMs), Agriculture Development Division officers and Regional Forestry Officers. It may be difficult to conduct the ceremony in one place due to the cost to gather the LFs at the place; hence, several ceremonies may be planned combining adjacent villages. The suitable time during the year for the ceremony is between April and May, so that the awarded LFs can work during the coming season with higher motivation.

2.14 Selection of Senior Lead Farmers

One SLF is elected to represent every 15 LFs in a village. CCOs are responsible for selecting the SLF based on the performance during the previous year, and the commitment of the entire candidate LFs in the village during the previous year. The criteria for the selection must be clear and accountable so that other LFs would not have any objections.

2.15 Provision of Bicycle

SLFs are expected to coordinate LF's activities by disseminating information, providing technical support to LFs, attending SLF meeting organized by CCOs, etc. Having such roles and responsibilities, SLFs may be entitled to use bicycles to ensure their mobility. It must be stressed, however, that the ownership of the bicycle is not on a particular SLF, but on the group of LFs of the village. Once a SLF leaves from the post, the bicycle has to be given to another SLF who replaces his / her post.

2.16 Re-sensitization Meeting by Senior Lead Farmers / Lead Farmers

During the second year of intervention, COVAMS approach recommends that SLFs conduct re-sensitization meetings. Re-sensitization training focuses on the review of the first-year result rather than repeating the earlier contents. It is recommended to have one large village re-sensitization meeting and one small re-sensitization meeting at *Limana* level. LFs shall conduct re-sensitization meetings at *Limana* level while SFLs do similar meetings at village level. SLFs shall be trained on how to conduct the village re-sensitization meeting while it is not necessary for the LFs to be trained for conducting the *Limana* level re-sensitization.

2.16.1 Village level re-sensitization

The content of the meeting is, more on the review of the village's performance of the previous year. The CCO responsible for the village shall give the results of the training conducted by LFs and the number of participants, as well as the number of practicing farmers beforehand. Moreover, the result of production through reviewing Field Day taken place in the village should be presented during the re-sensitization meeting. SLF shall inform them during the meeting, and facilitate a discussion during the evaluation of the result, causes of the result and the way forward for the following season. Additionally, an explanation of COVAMS posters should be presented by SLF.

2.16.2 Training for Senior Lead Farmers on conducting re-sensitization

The training contents shall follow the agenda of the meeting. The training comprises of the following:

- The performance of the village during the previous year,
- Assessment of the result,
 - LFs' performance
 - Farmers' practice
- Analysis (causes) of the result,
- Experience of the practice farmers (benefit),
- Way forward for the following season, and
- Explanation of COVAMS posters.

An emphasis of the training shall be given to practice over the theories. Participants are encouraged to try and practice the knowledge and skills attained while the training is still in progress. DMT will award certificates to SLFs at the end of the training, for recognition of their contribution towards training, and for motivating them for further commitment.

It might be difficult to convince SLFs to work for the villages as resource persons without providing incentives or compensation. Hence it is necessary to explain the condition of work thoroughly, and to agree with them prior to nominating them as SLFs. The acknowledgement

of SLFs' dedication and services to their communities shall be made by occasions such as official ceremonies or church services, possibly publishing it through medias. Such recognition will motivate not only those awarded, but also others to dedicate to the services.

2.16.3 *Limana* (group of households) level re-sensitization

Re-sensitization meetings shall be carried out in order, beginning at *Limana* level, then at the village. The objective of the *Limana* re-sensitization meetings is to share with participants results on maize growing, tree growing, and gully control; and to provide a forum for practicing farmers to share their own experiences on the three techniques. At the end of the re-sensitization meetings, the stakeholders shall prepare a joint action plan for the following season.

2.17 Refresher Courses

Refresher courses are organized for LF's during the second year of intervention, in order to consolidate both knowledge and practice in soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing. Such refresher courses are also tailored to boost LF's confidence of their practice.

In most cases, CCOs may add new villages during the second year, and are preoccupied with tasks such as TOT for the new LF's elected from the new villages. Therefore, COVAMS approach is designed to nominate SLFs for conducting a refresher course. SLFs were chosen because of his / her performance during the previous year. While they are knowledgeable and skillful enough to demonstrate the techniques, the refresher course will be provided by SLFs. SLFs receive skills and knowledge from TOTs to teach adequately, and to deliver the techniques to the fellow LF's.

2.18 Option for Enhancing Sustainability

The procedures of COVAMS approach explained in these guidelines were derived from the experiences of technical cooperation between Malawi and Japan. According to the principles of COVAMS approach, it aims at maximizing the usage of local resources available. This is based on a belief that reliance to external resources has a weakness in terms of sustainability.

The set of materials listed in the guidelines (explained in Section 2.10.1) is not considered entirely as locally available resources. COVAMS training ultimately needs no external inputs if the principles are strictly applied. Therefore, the list may be a reference only if sustainability is a prime factor to consider. Procurement and supply of materials may be adjusted, depending on the availability of fund and ease of delivery. COVAMS II has developed "Lean COVAMS" in consideration of enhancing sustainability even after the Project is terminated. Lean COVAMS is a revised approach of COVAMS by making use of goods in a village as much as possible. The JICA technical cooperation project has tried and implemented Lean COVAMS for one year and found there is no difference from the implementation process of conventional COVAMS as explained elsewhere in the guidelines. The approach uses goods available in the village as much as possible, to minimize reliance to external resources. The comparisons of the conventional COVAMS and Lean COVAMS in terms of cost, and the outcome has been carefully reviewed. The comparison is shown in the Table 1 "Cost estimate for two-year activities through COVAMS approach" in Appendix A.

3 MONITORING AND EVALUATION

In the operation of COVAMS approach, the areas to note are steady increasing, in parallel with the number of villages to cover, and the number of farmers who adopt and practice the techniques. Monitoring and evaluation, therefore, shall focus on the following viewpoints:

- Steady increase of the number of villages and timing of the activity
 - Progress of COVAMS approach activities in the villages
 - Progress of expansion of target villages in the district
- Achievement of the expected number of farmers who are practicing
 - Quality of the activities done in order to motivate potential farmers and create the environment for conducting training effectively by LFs.

In order to monitor the quality, the following areas have to be closely assessed:

- Understanding of COVAMS approach and benefits by practicing, as well as disadvantages of the villagers by not practicing
- Status of support from the village leaders to LFs
- Method of information dissemination for equal opportunity of participation in COVAMS to the entire villagers
- Understanding of the three techniques by LFs and villagers
- Understanding of the roles of SLF

3.1 Monitoring COVAMS Activities in Villages

Farmers are expected to practice the techniques when the training is completed so the activities of COVAMS approach follow the farming calendar. DMT has to monitor and guide all the activities to be carried out within the appropriate time scale in the calendar, following the annual work plan prepared by the district staff.

3.2 Monitoring Expansion of Target Villages

COVAMS approach expansion plan shall be prepared in each district. COVAMS approach is steady increasing the number of villages, covered by the shortest possible period with more than 50% of farmers of all H/Hs adopting the technique. DMT shall monitor carefully whether or not the pace of expansion matches with the plan. If the pace for extending COVAMS is slower than it was originally planned, then DMT shall analyze the causes of the problem, and place appropriate measures to fix the situation.

3.3 Monitoring Activities by Lead Farmers.

3.3.1 Monitoring understanding of the benefit of COVAMS

By assessing the items below, the quality of both the sensitization meetings carried out by CCOs, and Field Day carried out by LF's are clearly identified. These items are:

- Benefits of practicing techniques on COVAMS activities,
- Disadvantages of not practicing COVAMS activities, and
- Understanding on the roles of LF's.

Other elements that may reflect the quality of activities are explained in the following:

- Sensitization meeting is very important in motivating farmers in their practice, since it is conducted at the beginning of intervention. Therefore, the quality of the meeting shall be monitored, and if there are any shortfalls, then TST shall provide some additional measures such as retraining CCOs and repeating the meeting to fix the problems.
- Field Day will provide good influence to the farmers' second-year practice. During Field Day, the names of encouraged and committed farmers will be listed into the name list. By counting the number of farmers on the list, the quality of Field Day will possibly be assessed.
- The quality of activities can also be assessed with the number of participants in the training, and the adoption rate of farmers during the first year. Through monitoring those results, the management may develop an idea on how the re-sensitization meeting is carried out. The contents and the delivery of training by SLFs during the re-sensitization meeting shall be revisited, if the result is lower than the expectations.
- The overall practices performed by LF's and the number of training courses conducted, may be an indicator to the perception and understanding of the roles and responsibilities of LF's. When something is not working correctly with a LF and the problem is persistent, then the LF has to be consulted. If nothing is improved or changed, then replacing the LF is an option, should such decision be mutually agreed among community members and village leaders.

3.3.2 Monitoring village leaders support

In the Malawi context, a degree of influence by a VH over any activities within the village is significant. In a village where VH supports COVAMS activities by LF's and the villagers, farmers' practice rate is generally very high. Monitoring VH's attitude towards LF's and the farmers may give a good view on what is going on. At the same time, it is also important to create good relationship between CCO and VH in order to secure a good working ground for LF's to perform. If the attitude of VH is not favorable, then CCO shall intervene into the situation to resolve the difficulties.

The support from VH can be assessed through his/ her attendance to sensitization meetings, the number of participants during training and the number of farmers practicing. When those numbers are lower than expected during the first year, a support from VH is not as high as expected. In this case, CCO may intervene into the situation to fix the difficulties for the second year for improvement.

3.3.3 Monitoring the dissemination of information for ensuring equal opportunity

Among the five principles of COVAMS approach, “ensuring equal opportunity for participation to training” is the most significant. In other words, the information on training must reach every H/H in the village. COVAMS approach recommends distributing the invitation cards to every H/H for ensuring access to the information. CCOs have to check whether or not the invitation cards are properly distributed. If not, then CCO must take every possible measure to fix the problem.

3.3.4 Monitoring the understanding of soil erosion control, gully control and tree growing

The quality of TOT for LFs carried out by CCOs can be assessed through monitoring the quality of field practice of the three techniques demonstrated by the LFs. In particular, the facilitation skills of CCOs may be evaluated through LFs’ quality of contents, training design, as well as its delivery.

Effective training is a combination of skills to practice three techniques, and capacity for facilitating training. The former may be attained by themselves practicing in his / her own garden. The latter is challenging because it requires trial and error through actual training. When monitoring farmers’ practice, if its adoption and quality of work is less than expectation, then TST may closely watch how the training is practiced within the community. There may be some room for improvement, and additional measures and advice may be necessary and effective. An intensive monitoring toward the practice of LFs, particularly those who recently started his / her work is more important. The monitoring of practice by farmers shall be carried out regularly, to see if there is any shortcoming in it. In such case, advice shall be given to LFs during the regular LFs meeting, to avoid any embarrassment he / she may feel having his / her practice by CCO in front of farmers.

3.3.5 Understanding of the roles of Senior Lead Farmers

To assess SLF performance, it will help to monitor the indicator and measurements in

Table 3-1. During the second year, COVAMS approach recommends to utilize the SLF system to reduce the workload of CCOs, and to increase the number of villages under COVAMS approach. However, it is not very clear if the system works properly or not at the beginning of the second year. Hence intensive monitoring of SLFs' activity at an early stage of the second year is necessary, especially by TST. The SLF system is a key to sustaining the activities of COVAMS approach in the village. CCO and TST must give a backstopping to SLFs until familiarizing with their roles.

Table 3-1 Indicators and Measurements for Monitoring

Purpose of Monitoring	Indicators	Measurements
Improvement of the quality of sensitization meeting	Understanding of COVAMS approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. of villagers participated No. of attendants in the meeting No. of participants in the training No. of practicing farmers
	Benefit of practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. of participants in the training No. of practicing farmers or its rate against entire H/Hs of the village
	Understanding of the roles of LF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. of LFs who are practicing No. of training conducted
Improvement of the quality of relations with VH	Status of support from village leaders to LFs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance to sensitization meeting by village leaders No. of participants in the training No. of farmers practicing
Assurance of equal opportunity	Method of information dissemination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. of attendance at the sensitization meeting No. of participants in the training
Improvement of the quality of TOT by CCOs	Understanding of the three techniques by LFs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstration plot developed by LFs
	Acquisition of facilitation skill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contents and quality of training for the villagers by LFs Quality of practice of the techniques by farmers
Improvement of the capacity of SLFs	Understanding of the roles of SLF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of re-sensitization meeting by SLF Quality of the re-sensitization meeting Quality of the refresher course for LFs Quality of training for villagers by LFs Implementation of LFs meeting in the village

Table 3-2 Annual Activity Schedule

Month	Items / Technique	Activity
January	Gully	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on gully reclamation and control
	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree growing
February	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring on management of planted tree seedlings
	Gully	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training by LFs • Follow-up on the practice
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection of next target villages
March	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of management of planted tree seedlings
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field Day on maize harvest at LFs' demonstration plot
	Gully	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up on the practice
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to COVAMS for headmen • Confirmation of headmen's willingness to join
April	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on beekeeping • Monitoring of management of planted tree seedlings • Explanation on tree growing activity
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanation and training for village resources selected from LFs for conducting sensitization meeting (if necessary) • Preparation and implementation of Sensitization meeting • Selection of LFs • Collection of H/H list
May	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on beekeeping • Monitoring of management of planted tree seedlings • LF training (TOT)
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection of LFs in the new target villages • Refresher course for SLF / LF • LF training (TOT)
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of sensitization meeting • Collection of H/H list • Brush-up course for SLFs
June	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of management of planted tree seedlings • LF training (TOT) • Production of seedlings and practice of direct sowing by LFs • Monitoring LFs' practice
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LF training (TOT) • Construction of demonstration plot by LFs • Monitoring LFs' practice
July	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on tree growing • LF training (TOT) • Monitoring LFs' / farmers' practice
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of demonstration plot by LFs • Monitoring LFs' / farmers' practice
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of training report
August	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on tree growing • Follow-up on and monitoring of practice
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil erosion control training by LFs • Follow-up on and monitoring of practice
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of training report
September	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on tree growing • Follow-up on and monitoring of practice
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on soil erosion control by LFs • Follow-up on and monitoring of practice

Month	Items / Technique	Activity
	Gully	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TOT for LFs on gully Practice of check dam construction
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection of training report
October	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstration of direct sowing method and distribution of seeds Follow-up on and monitoring of practice
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training on soil erosion control by LFs Follow-up on and monitoring of practice
	Gully	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training on gully reclamation and control
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection of training report
November	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring on seedlings management (watering and pruning)
	Soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil conservation training by LFs Follow-up on practice Monitoring of practice Confirmation of the number of villagers who are practicing
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection of training report
December	Tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up on out-planting practice
	Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmation of the number of villagers who are practicing and areas

Appendix A: Cost estimation of the activities through COVAMS approach

1. PURPOSE OF THE COST ESTIMATION

The cost of utilizing COVAMS approach varies depending on what kind of technology is spread by when, or with whom it shall be carried out. To make these matters clear, a cost comparison on COVAMS approaches based on different conditions is presented. One challenge is: there are a few parameters to include when cost estimation is to be carried out.

The idea here is to present and compare two classifications of COVAMS approach: one is the cost based on the practice following each procedure explained in these guidelines; another is the so-called “Lean COVAMS” approach, which is a modified practice by eliminating most of the external inputs listed for the conventional COVAMS (see Section 2.18. Option for enhancement of sustainability in the guidelines, for an explanation of “Lean COVAMS”). Beside the reduced cost by eliminating goods for implementation, there is a difference between the two approaches. The conventional COVAMS approach may be suitable when agility in both penetration and extending coverage is mattered. Supported by a relatively high level of inputs such as materials for farmers, bicycles and motorcycles for ensuring SLFs and CCOs, it may take advantage of the enthusiasm of target communities and mobility. On the other hand, Lean COVAMS may be suitable when risks of reliance to external material inputs are concerned, in a view of long-term ownership and sustainability. Lean COVAMS is suited when financial resources are not adequate, while extension work needs to reach out to as many communities as possible. COVAMS aims at minimizing dependency to incentives given from outside. It rather attempts to facilitate farmers understand their own benefits by voluntarily participating in development activities to improve their own lives.

The two different approaches share the same five principles of COVAMS. The activities of the two make no difference in terms of process and procedures. The activities of the two shall follow in accordance with the COVAMS Approach Guidelines.

2. ASSUMPTIONS OF THE ESTIMATION

The following assumptions were made to estimate the cost of implementing COVAMS. They were built based on Project experience in the four target districts in Malawi.

A CCO oversees one hundred LFs on average. An average of 15 LFs are elected in a village. Six to seven villages may be assigned to one CCO under his / her responsibility. From these figures, the cost necessary to COVAMS over a two-year period may be easily estimated.

The basis of this calculation is that a CCO trains one hundred LFs and seven SLFs from 6 to 7 villages within a two-year intervention. The expenses for materials and fuel are based on the market price obtained between June 2016 and May 2017. The element of cost is shown in Figure 1.

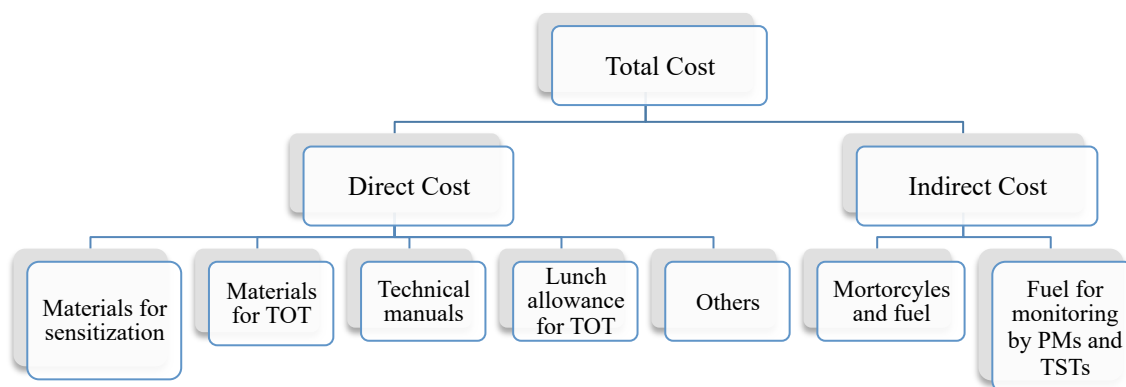


Figure 1: Element of Cost for Implementing COVAMS

3. CALCULATION OF THE COST

3.1 Direct Cost

Direct cost consists of the following items: materials for sensitization, materials for TOT, technical manual, lunch allowance, and others.

3.1.1 Sensitization Materials

Production of posters for the sensitization meeting mainly used by CCOs may be outsourced to a print shop. The black and white posters used by LFs are produced with black and white A3-sized papers.

3.1.2 Materials for Training of Trainers

The training materials outlined in the guidelines are provided to LFs at the first-year TOT. The items include a *panga* knife, a line level and nylon threads to measure contour lines, nails to make “A-frames” for aligning contour lines, polythene tubes for seedling production, a notebook and a pen. Polythene tubes are provided at TOT for distribution to the fellow farmers. For Lean COVAMS, items distributed are limited to notebooks, pens, strings, and line levels.

3.1.3 Technical manuals

The technical manuals include tree growing, soil conservation and gully reclamation. They are outsourced to a print shop for production, and are provided to LFs. For Lean COVAMS, the manuals are only provided to SLFs.

3.1.4 Lunch allowance for Training of Trainers

A lunch allowance of 800 MKW/day is provided to LFs and SLFs during TOT. The duration of TOT for LFs during the first year and second year take four days. TOT for SLF during the first year and second year takes three. The lunch allowance is provided to both conventional and Lean COVAMS.

3.1.5 Fuels for Motorcycle

The annual expenses for running a motorcycle are calculated from the actual expenditures between June 2016 and May 2017. The expenses related to motorcycles during the second year are deemed at a half of the annual expenses, because SLFs are nominated to assist CCOs.

3.1.6 Others

Other expenses included are: T-shirt for LFs and SLFs, and bicycles provided to SLFs.

3.2 Indirect Cost

3.2.1 Motorcycle and its depreciation

Ensuring mobility for extension officers responsible for monitoring and overseeing COVAMS activities is one of the major factors for designing extension activities. The expenses related to motorcycles are not negligible. They vary depending on how many new motorcycles are to be procured, when estimating the cost of COVAMS activities. If existing motorcycles are available, then how many more motorcycles to be procured is a complex question. If the office equips some motorcycles, which may be allocated to the activities, then the expenses on repair and maintenance shall be considered. Newly procured motorcycles may not require repair and maintenance, but their depreciation may need to be considered instead. Ensuring mobility is a key element of designing COVAMS approach, while procuring a new motorcycle is, however, not absolutely essential. General recommendation for any agencies that would like to adopt COVAMS shall look into the possibility of utilizing locally available resources, including readily available motorcycles instead of procuring new motorcycles.

3.2.2 Fuel cost for management staff such as Project Manager and Technical Supporting Team

The fuel cost for the monitoring of field activities by PM and TST is also considered variable. The more area the activities reach out, higher becomes the cost of fuel. The frequency of carrying out site visits shall be carefully reviewed, based on the necessity and available resources including time, effort and budget.

3.3 Things to consider

COVAMS approach is not a perfect solution for every situation. It has advantages and, at the same time, limitations. One particular success may not be replicable in other locations, since all communities are different. COVAMS approach may not be attractive when community members receive regular external support, such as financial support or food baskets for the improvement of nutrition, etc., from other development partners.

Table 1: Cost estimate for two-year activities through COVAMS approach

Items	To whom	COVAMS			Lean COVAMS		
		U.P. (MKW)	Qty.	Amount (MKW)	U.P. (MKW)	Qty.	Amount (MKW)
I. Sensitization							
1. Posters (color, plastic poster)	CCO	82,500	1	82,500	82,500	0	0
2. Posters (black and white, A3 paper)	LF	2,550	100	255,000	2,550	0	0
3. Envelop (A3)	LF	100	100	10,000	100	0	0
II. TOT (SLF / LF)							
4. Marker Pen (3 colors x 10 sets)	CCO	1,750	10	17,500	1,750	0	0
5. Flip Chart	CCO	3,000	1	3,000	3,000	0	0
6. Masking Tape	CCO	1,100	1	1,100	1,100	0	0
7. Notebook	LF	495	100	49,500	495	100	49,500
8. Pen	LF	120	100	12,000	120	100	12,000
9. Document Folder	LF	195	100	19,500	195	0	0
10. Panga Knife (soil conservation)	LF	995	100	99,500	995	0	0
11. Strings (soil conservation)	LF	450	100	45,000	450	100	45,000
12. Nails (soil conservation)	LF	950	300	285,000	950	0	0
13. Line Level (soil conservation)	LF	2,500	100	250,000	2,500	100	250,000
14. Polythene Tubes (100 pots/LF) (tree growing)	LF	200	10,000	2,000,000	200	0	0
III. Technical manuals							
15. Manuals (three techniques)	LF	5,693	300	1,707,900	5,693	21	119,553
IV. Lunch allowance for TOT							
16. TOT for LF (8 days / 2 years)	LF	800	800	640,000	800	800	640,000
17. TOT for SLF (6 days / 2 years)	SLF	800	42	33,600	800	42	33,600
V. Fuel							
18. Fuel for CCO activities (7 villages x 1.5 year)	CCO	32,280	10.5	338,940	32,280	10.5	338,940
VI. Others							
19. T-shirts	LF	4,000	107	428,000	4,000	107	428,000
20. Bicycle	SLF	45,000	7	315,000	45,000	7	315,000
				Total (MKW)	Total (MKW)		
				Total (USD)@700	Total (USD)@700		
				9,418.63	2,231,593		
					3,187.99		

Appendix B: Check Lists

Appendix B-1: Check List for LF / SLF monthly meeting

A. Progress report

- Limana meetings conducted
- Number of trainings conducted
- Challenges encountered
- Explanation of the field practices during the reporting period
- Number of H/H / technology
- Number of seedlings raised / planted
- Number of gullies reclaimed
- Number of check dams
- Area conserved in acers
- Others (raised by CCO and SLF)

B. Plans for the following month

C. AOB

Appendix B-2: Field Check List for CCO and for LF

■ TRAINING

1. Quantity

- Number of SLF trained
- Number of LF trained
- Number of Farmers trained

2. Quality

- Facilitation
- Participation
- Contents delivered (more practical)

■ PRACTICES

A. Tree Growing

A-1. Quantity

- Number of seedlings to be raised (target)
- Number of seedlings to be raised / species
- Number of seedlings planted / species
- Number of trees surviving
- Area under natural regeneration (in ha per CCO, in acer per LF)

A-2. Quality (Management practice)

- Management on nursery
- Management on woodlot
- Management of areas and trees regenerated

B. Soil and water conservation

- Number of heaps / type of manure
- Area applied manure
- Materials used and processing / procedure
- Orientation of ridges (proper)
- Distance between marker ridges and ridges
- Presence of water harvesting technologies and their dimensions
- Management on nursery
- Management on woodlot
- Management on areas and trees regenerated

C. Gully Reclamation

- Number of check dams constructed
- Number of gullies reclaimed
- Orientation of check dams
- Materials used in check dams

D. Others (raised by CCO, SLF and LFs)



Field Manual in Tree growing



NJIRA ZIMENE ANTHU ANGATHE KUTSATA POFUNA KUBWEZERETSA NKHALANGO

ZOLINGA

1. Anthu athe kudziwa njira zosiyanasiyana zimene zimatsatidwa pobwazeretsa nkhalango.
2. Munthu adzitha kukhala ndi ufulu wosankha njira yokomera iye.

KUFUNIKA KWA MITENGO/ NKHALANGO

1. Kupeza nkhuhi milimo matabwa.
2. Kugulitsa nkupeza makobili.
3. Mitengo imateteza nthaka kuti isakokoloke ndi madzi.
4. Mitengo ina imagwiritsidwa ntchito ngati mankhwala.
5. Mitengo imabwazeretsa / kuwonjezera chonde mu nthaka.
6. Kukopa alendo ndi kukongoletsa malo.
7. Anthu amatha kupeza mwayi wantchito zosamalira nkhalango.

NJIRA ZOBWEZERETSERA MITENGO /NKHALANGO

KUKHAZIKITSA NAZALE

Njira iyi imafunikira ngati tiri ndi mapulani ofuna kudzala malo a akulu
Kapenanso ngati kabweredwe ka mvula kuderako kali kovutavuta.

UBWINO NDI KUYIPA KWA NAZALE

UBWINO WA NAZALE

KUYIPA KWA NAZALE

➤ Njira iyi imafunikira ngati tikuganizira kubzala malo a akulu komanso ngati kuderako mvula imabwera movuta.	➤ Pamafunika ndalama zochuluka zogulira zipangizo monga; Makeni, Machubu, Wilibala, Fetereza ndi zina zotero.
➤ Munthu amabzala mtundu wa mitengo yomwe akuyifuna.	➤ Timakhala ndi nthawi yayitali yogwira ntchito monga, kumanga mpanda, kuthira dothi mumachubu, kufesa mbewu, kuthirira, kudula mizu ndi zina.
➤ Mbande zimakhala zili ndi nsinkhu wabwino nthawi yobzala.	➤ Timadulanso mitengo yokula kula kale kuti timangire mpanda wa nazale, mmalo mogwiritsa mitengoyo ntchito zina.
➤ Mbande zimakhala zili ndi maonekedwe abwino ndinso zokhwimitsidwa bwino zisanadzalidwe.	
➤ Tikhoza kugulitsa mbande	

ngakhale kwa anthu akutali ndikupeza ndalama.	
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NTHAWI YOKONZEKERA MANAZALE

Nazale iyenera kukhazikitsidwa miyezi iwiri tisanayambe kufesa mbeu\njere zathu Monga Epulo ndi Meyi chifukwa njere zambiri zimafesedwa miyezi ya Juni, Ogasiti Komanso kwa mitenga yokula pangonopangono monga Pine, Mlombwa ndi ina tiyenera Kukhonzekera nazale miyezi ya Febuluwale ndi Marichi.

Mbande timakazala kumunda pamene mvula yayamba kugwa ndipo chinyontho Chikuppezeka mdothi kuya kuposa phazi limodzi. Chinthu chofunika kuchiwonetsetsa ndichakuti tiri ndinjere za mitengo yomwe tikufuna kufesa tisanayambe kugwiritsa ntchito njirayi.

KUTOLERA NJERE ZA MITENGO.

CHIFUKWA CHİYANI KUTOLERA NJERE?

- Izi zimatithandiza kukhala ndi njere zochuluka, komanso zopanda mtengo (zaulele). Mitengo yomwe ikumera kudela lathu, njere zake zidzameranso bwino mu nazale zathu chifukwa ndi za mdera lanthu lomwelo.

NANGA NGATI MITENGO INA SIIMERA MDERA LATHU?

- Tifunse alangizi a za nkhalango atithandize kupeza njerezo, Tiwonetsetse kuti mitengo yake ikhoza kumera bwino m'dera lathu.
- Komanso tikhonza kukapeza njerezi ku FRIM [Forestry Research Institute of Malawi] kapenanso ku ICRAF.**

NJERE ZIMAPEZEKA KUTI

- Njere zimapezeka mu zinthu monga izi:
 - Zipatso.
 - Muzikhokhombe.
- Nthawi zina njere zimayoyoka mu zikhokhombe zikadali pa mtengo.

KUTOLERA / KUPEZA NJERE KUMUDZI KONKO

- Pofuna kutolera njere timayangana mitengo yomwe ingatipatse zotsatira tikufuna podzala mitengoyo monga:

NTCHITO (ZOLINGA)

MAONEKEDWE A MTENGO WA NJERE

1.Nkhuni	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mtengo wa nthambi zambiri. Mtengo wophukira nthambi zambiri ukadulidwa monga, chitimbe, bulugama, kasha, malayina.
2.Milimo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mtengo wowongoka.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wopanda nthambi zambiri.
3.Zipatso	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mtengo wa zipatso zokoma, zopanda matenda, zoyenda malonda, zosavuta kuzipeza mumtengomo.
4.Mpanda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mtengo uziwoneka wa nthambi zogundizana mothina.
5.Kubwezeretsa chonde	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mtengo womwe masamba ake amawola msanga.

Kumbukiralani

1.Osangotolera njere chifukwa njerezo nzosavuta kuzipeza mumtengomo kapena kuti mtengowo uli pafupi nafe, koma tolerani njere kuchokera ku mtengo womwe ukupatseni zotsatira zomwe inu mukuzifuna.

2.Njere zochokera mu mtengo wabwino zimatipatsanso mitengo yabwino.

NTHAWI YOTOLERA NJERE.

Nthawi yabwino yotolera njere ndi pamene zizindikiro izi zikuoneka m'malo momwe njere zimapezeka:

1. Zipatso / zikhokhombe zikusintha mtundu kuchoka kobiliwira kunka ku bulawuni {brown}.
2. Pamene zipatso/zikhokhombe zilimba.
3. Pamene zikhokhombe ziyamba kusweka zikadali pa mtengo pomwepo.
4. Ngati njere idulidwa ndi mpeni imalimba komanso imaonetsa komera {embryo} koti kakhonza kumera.

NJIRA ZOTOLERA NJERE

- Ndi nzeru kutolera njere kuchokera ku mitengo ingapo osati umodzi wokha.

Pali njira zingapo zotolera njere kuchokera ku zipatso komanso ku zikhokhombe ndipo izi timazipeza pouyang'ana mtengo wa njerewo.

1. Kuyala mphasa kapeni pulasitiki pansi pa mtengo kuti njere ziziyoyokerapo.
2. Kuthothola zipatso kapeni zikhokhombe ndi manja utayima pansi ngati ungazifikire.
3. Kugwedeza mtengo wonse kuti njere ziyoyokere pansi.
4. Kukwera mumtengo ndi kuthothola zipatso / zikhokhombe.

Dziwani ichi: Kukwera mumtengo kungakhale koopsa choncho nthawi zonse tisakhale tokha pogwiritsa njirayi.

KUCHOTSA NJERE MU ZIPATSO / ZIKHOKHOMBE

I. Njere za muzikhokhombe

- Yanikani zikhokhombe pa dzuwa mutaziyika pa choyala. Njere zimachoka zokha zikhokhombe zikayamba kuuma ndi dzuwa.
- Zikhokhombe zina zimalimba kuti zitseguke zokha choncho zikayamba kutseguka ziyikidwe mu thumba ndi kulimenya kuti njere zituluke [petani kuchotsa zosafunika].

II. ZIPATSO ZA MITENGO MONGA IYI;

- Indiya.
- Nimu [neem].
- Malaina.
- Kankhande.

Vikani m'madzi zipatso zakezo kwa tsiku limodzi kapeni masiku awiri. Zitsukeni kuchotsa nsuzi wake.

Ziviyikeninso njerezo m'madzi ndipo muchotse zonse zimene zayandama ndikuzitaya

Yanikani zotsalazo padzuwa.

III. NJERE ZOKHALA NDI MAPIKO monga kadale, mkolong'onjo.

Tikitani njere ndi manja kapena ndi pena pali ponse polimba.

IV. NJERE ZA ZIKHOKHOMBE ZOLIMBA monga mulombwa

Izi timazisunga monga momwe zililimo kufikila nthawi yofesa pamene timazidzutsa [Pre-treatment].

- Kumbukilakni kuyanika njere pa dzuwa kwa masiku angapo kuti ziume bwino komanso kuti zisungike nthawi yayitali.

KUCHOKOCHA/KUSANKHA NJERE

Chotsani ndikutaya njere zonse zomwe ndi;

1. Zowonongeka ndi tizilombo
2. Zosaoneneka bwino
3. Zonyala
4. Zosiyana mtundu/mawonekedwe ndi zinzake

KUSUNGA NJERE

Kasungidwe ka njere kamatengera ndi mtundu wa njerezo.

- Njere zomwe zimachokera ku zikhokhombe kawiri kawiri ndi zomwe zimasungidwa nthawi yayitali m'malo momwe mpweya siulowa [air tight containers] Izi ndi monga; msangu, ngongomwa, kasha ndi zina.
- Njere zomwe sizichokera mu zikhokhombe monga; Nimu, masuku, nyowe, mkundi ndi zina.

-Ziyenera kufesedwa nthawi yomweyo

-Ngati zingasungidwe koma ndi nthawi yochepa, zisungidwe mu nsalu yodutsa mphepo ndinso zisathinane.

MALANGIZO

- Njere zisasungidwe mu pulasitiki nthawi yayitali chifukwa zimaola.

- Osasunga njere kuti zidzafesedwe chaka china mtsogolo.s

KUFESA NJERE ZA MITENGO

KUKONZA DOTHİ LABWİNO LA MUNAZALE

Dothi labwino lowumbira machubu mu nazale liyenera kukhala losakanizidwa motere:
Mbali zitatu za dothi, Mbali imodzi ya mchenga, ndi Mbali imodzi manyowa.

(1)



Mulingo woyenera wa dothi la munazale
Dothi: Mchenga: Manyowa = 3:1:1

Manyowa

Mchenga

Dothi

Gwiritsani ntchito chida chimodzi
Potengera manyowa, mchenga

KUTHIRA DOTHI MMACHUBU

Thirani gawo limodzi ma magawo awiri a chubu ndi dothi losakanizidwalo ndipo litsenderedwe kuti chubucho chithe kuyima. Keneka dzadzitsani chubucho.

(1)



Tsegulani kukamwa kwa chubu ndi zala zitatu. Thilani dothi muchubu pang'onopang'ono kufikira litadzadza gawo limodzi mwa magawo atatu a chubucho. Likakwana gawo limodzi mwamagawo atatu a chubuyo,

(2)



Kokerani chubu m'mwamba ndikuchinyira dothi pogwiritsa ntchito zala.

(3)



Dzadzitsani dothi muchubumo koma lisatsenderedwe

M'malo mwa machubu tikhonzaso kugwiritsa ntchito zinthu monga:

- Mapaketi a suga.
- Mapaketi a chibuku.

KUDZUTSA NJERE

Kunyika m'madz ozizira: Njere zonse zomwe zikopa zake ndi zotera ndi bwino kuti njere zimenezi ziviikidwe m'madzi ozizila kwa maola okwanira makumi awiri ndi mphambu zinayi musanafese.



Kuviika m'madzi

Kukhebula/Kuthena njere: Uku ndi kudula mbali imodzi ya njere ndi cholinga choti madzi alowe mkati mwa njereyo mosavuta kuti njereyo imele mosavuta. Tikhonza kugwiritsa ntchito mpeni, chowengela zikhadabo, kapena kukhutiza njereyo pa chinthu cholimba monga mwala. **Onetsetsani** kuti musadule njereyo mbali yomwe njere imamerela. Njere zomwe tingagwiritse njira ndi monga; mtangatanga, kasha.



Kukhebula/ Kuthena

Kuchotsa chikhokhombe cha njere: Njere zina zimamera bwino pamene zikhokhombe zachotsedweraratu poswa zikhokhombezo mitengo imeneyi monga m'mbawa.

Kukazinga njere: Njere zinanso zimamera bwino zikawauka ndi moto. Njere za Naphini zawonetsa kuti zimamera bwino zikawuka ndi moto choncho njere ngati zimenezi ndibwino kuzikazinga pa moto wotentha ngati moto wowaula tchire kwa mhindi zokwanila imodzi kapena ziwiri.

1.4 KUFESA NJERE

Njere zikhonza kufesedwa m'machubu kapena mumapaketi a sugar, chibuku, maphale osweka ndi zina zambiri m'maenje okuya 1.5 mpaka 2 cm kutengera ndi kukula kwa njereyo.

(1)



Thirani madzi okwanira musanabzale mbeu.

(2)



Pogwiritsa ntchito kamtengo kumbani dzenje lobyalapo mbeu. Ndipo kuya kwa dzenjelo kulingane ndikukula kwa njele.

(3)



Byalani njere imodzi kapena ziwiri (molingana ndi mtundu wa mbeu) ndikukwilira.

Komwe zinthu ngati zimenezi ndizovuta kuzipeza, njere zimathekanso kuzifesa m'mabedi (Swazi bed) bedi limeneli limakonzedwa ndi dothi lomwe tinasakaniza bwino lija pa miyezo iyi;



- Mulifupi lizikhala losapitilira 1m kuti pothilira madzi azitha kukwanila bedi lonse.
- Utali likhale molingana ndi Kuchuluka kwa njere znu
- Kutalika kuchokera pansi likhale lopyolera 30cm
- Njere zifisedwe pa mipata ya 5cm
- Lembani mzere kuchokera mphepete mwa bedi kulowa mkati 10cm ndikuzungulira bedi lonse.

KUTHILIRA

KATHILIRIDWE KOYENERA KA NJERE

- Kuthilira kuchitike m'mawa kapena madzulo kuti dothi la m'machubu likhale la chinyontho nthawi zonse , **Onetsetsani** kuti musathilire pamene dzuwa litentha kwambiri chifukwa izi zimatha kupha njere zanu.
- Osathilira mopitiliza muyezo chifukwa izi zimapangitsa lowe munazale zomwe ingapangitse kuti mbande zanu ziziwola komanso mitsitsi kuonongeka ngakhalenso kusowa kwa mpweya mnthaka
- Onetsetsani kuti madzi akulowerera mpaka pansi pa chubu cha mbande kapena bedi la mbande zanu
- Onetsetsaninso kuti njere za maso ang'onoang'ono zikuthiliridwa ndi zifafa za maso ang'ono

ZINTHU ZOMWE TIYENERA KUZIGANIZIRA POFUNA KUTHILIRA

- M'mene nyengo yatsikulo ilili (kwatentha,kuli mitambo,kapena kuli mvula).
- Kwakhala kukugwa mvula kapena ayi.
- Mtundu wa dothi lomwe munagwiritsa ntchito powumba machubu, kodi ndi la mchenga,lamakande ndi zina zotero.
- Msinkhu ,nthawi yomwe mbandezo zakhala,mtundu wa mitengoyo (species).
- Kodi pali shedu kapena ayi.
- Kupezeka kwa udzu wophimbira (mulch) kapena ayi.

NTCHITO ZOGWIRIDWA MBANDE ZIKAMERA

KUPATULIRA MBANDE

Ndi kuchotsa njere m'malo m'mene zamera zopitilira ziwiri kusiya imdzi kuti izimera bwino. Timachotsa zimene zikuoneka kuti ndi zofooka, zoonongeka, kapena zodwala.

KUDZALIKIRA MBANDE ZA MITENG

Uku ndikuchotsa mbande zing'ono zing'ono pa bedi pofesera ndikukazibzala m'malo monga mchubu, mumapaketi a chibuku, sugar ndi zina ndicholinga choti zipatsane mpata womera bwino.

ZIFUKWA ZODZALIKIRA MBANDE ZA MITENGO

- Kuchepetsa kuthinana kwa mbande pa bedi lofesera, zomwe zingapangitse kuti mbande zikhale zonyozoloka, zofowoka, ndi zowoneka zamatenda.
- Kuchepetsa kulimbilana chinyontho ndi chakudya zomwe ndizofunika pakakulidwe ka mbande.
- Kuchepetsa kulimbana kwa mizu pansi panthaka.

Onetsetsani kuti: mbande zikudzalikidwira pansi pa mthunzi. Mpofunikanso kusamala pochepetsa kufa kwa mbande. Nthawi yoyenera kudzalikira mbande ndipamene mbande zafika msinkhu wa 1 inch (1-2cm) komanso zamera masamba oyamba.

Zoyenera kutsata podzalikira mbande

- Thilirani bedi la mbande musanayambe kuzula.
- Mbande zazulidwazo zisakhale padzuwa.
- Nthawi zonse gwirani masamba a mbande.
- Tsenderani dothi la m'mbali mwa mbande

Ndondomeko ya kadzalikidwe kka mbande

- Musanayambe kudzalikira thilirani mbande zam'mabedi kapena m'machubu. Tipulani mbandeyo pogwiritsa ntchito ka mtengo.
- Zulani mbandeyo bwino pogwira masamba, ndipo muonetstse kuti mitsitsi siyinawonongeke.
- Ikani mbandezo m'matope pokadzalikira.
- Gwiritsani ntchito ka mtengo pobowola dzenje lodzalapo mbande.
- Ikani mbandeyo mubowolo powonetsetsa kuti mizu siyinapindike.
- Tsenderani dothi kuzungulira ka mbande kodzalidwako.
- Onetsetsani kuti mbande zikuthililidwa komanso kuyikidwa panthunzi kufikira zitakhwima.

Zoyenera kupewa podzalikira mbande

- Onetsetsani kuti mizu ya mbande siyinatulukire panja.
- Onetsetsani kuti simunakwilire thunthu kapena masamba a mbande.
- Tsenderani dothi kuzungulira ka mbande kodzalidwako.
- Onetsetsani kuti kadzenje kobowoledwako ndikokwanira kudzalapo mbandeyo bwinobwino.
- Onetsetsani kuti mbandeyo yayima chilili ikadzalidwa.

MTHUNZI

Zolinga zoyikira mthunzi

- Kupereka mthunzi wokwanira mogwirizana ndi mtundu wa mtengo.
- Kuteteza mbande ku dzuwa, mphepo, matalala ngakhale madontho a mphamvu a mvula.
- Kuteteza kutayika kwa madzi kuchoka m' masamba chifukwa cha dzuwa kapena mphepo.
- Kuchepetsa kuwuma kwa nthaka.
- Mthuzi umathandizanso kuti kutenthera kofunika pakakulidwe ka mbande kupezeka.
- Kuchepetsa kuwonongeka kwa mbande chifukwa chakuzizira.

Zinthu zomwe tiyenera kuziganizira pofuna kuyika mthunzi

Mthundu wa mbeu

Pafupifupi mitundu yonse ya mitengo imafuna mthunzi pamene yadzalikidwa.

Nyengo

Mthunzi uyenera kimasinthidwa molingana ndi m'mene kwachera patsikulo.

Dela kapena malo

Mtundu wa dothi, kukwera, kutentha ndi kuchuluka kwa mvula imene delalo limalandira zimapangitsa Kuchuluka kapena kuchepa kwa mthunzi molinga ndi mtundunso wa mbeu.

Onetsetsani kuti: mthunzi woyikidwa ukhale pautali wa 60cm kuchokera pomwe mbeu zalekezera.

Kutipulira m'machubu

Kutipulira m'machubu kumathandiza kuti mbande zisamalimbirane chakudya, kuwala, malo okulira , chinyontho ndi tchire.

Kudulira mizu

Timadulira mitsitsi ndicholinga chofuna kuletsa mbande kukanilira mdothi pa nthawi yomwe tikukabzala kumunda komanso kuti mitsitsi ya mbande ichulukendicholinga choti isakavutike kugwira ikakabzalidwa kumunda.

NJIRA ZODULIRA MITSITSI

Kunyamula	Kugwiritsa ntchito manja	Kugwiritsa ntchito mpeni
		
Machubu amanyamulidwa ndi kudula mitsitsi yonse yomwe yatulukira pansipa chubu.	Tikhonzanso kugwiritsa ntchito manja podula mizu yotulukira.	Lowetsani mpeni wautali ndiwokuthwa pansi pa machubu ndikuwuyendetsa kudala mitsitsi yonse yomwe yatulukira pansi pa machubu ngakhale pa bedi lofesera njere.

KULIMBITSA MBANDE

Kulimbisa mbande ndi kuchepetsa kuthilira ndicholinga choti mbande ziyambe kuzolowera kukomana ndi nthawi zosowa ndi kuzolowera nyengo ya kumunda. Izi timachita pochepetsa Kuchuluka kwa madzi komanso nthawi mwachitsanzo mamawa okha basi m'malo mwa mamawa ndi madzulo.

KUSAMALIRA MPHUKIRA.

Iyi ndi njira yomwe timasamalira zophukira za ku zitsa, mphukira zochokera ku mizu kapenanso ku mitengo yomwe yamera kuchokera ku njere zogwa kuchokera ku mitengo.

UBWINO NDI KUYIPA KOSAMARA MPHUKIRA

UBWINO WAKE	KUYIPA KWAKE
➤ Mitengo imapirira ku chilala chifukwa mizu yake yakhazikika kale	➤ Umakhala ndi mitengo imene sumayifuna
➤ Mitengo imakula bwino chifukwa mizu yakhazikika kale	
➤ Ntchito ya kunazale, kukumba maenje, ngati njira yodzalizatu njere, pamakhala palibe	
➤ Zipangizo sizimagulidwa monga za ku nazale	
➤ Mitengo monga miphakasa yomwe njere zake ndizosowa tikhoza kukhala nayo	

➤ Mitengo ingapo imamera pa chitsa chimodzi	
➤ Siyifuna mitengo yomangira nazale	

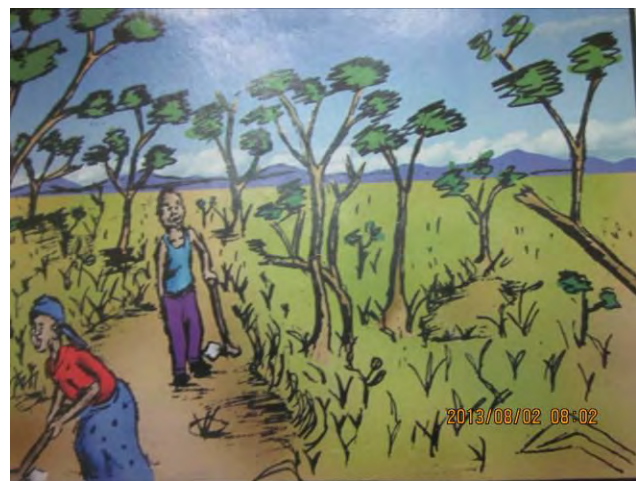
NTHAWI YOYENERA KUSAMALIRA MPHUKIRA

Nthawi yoyenera ndi kumayambiriro amapeto amvula pamene udzu usanayambe kuuma.

Zoyenera Kutsata:



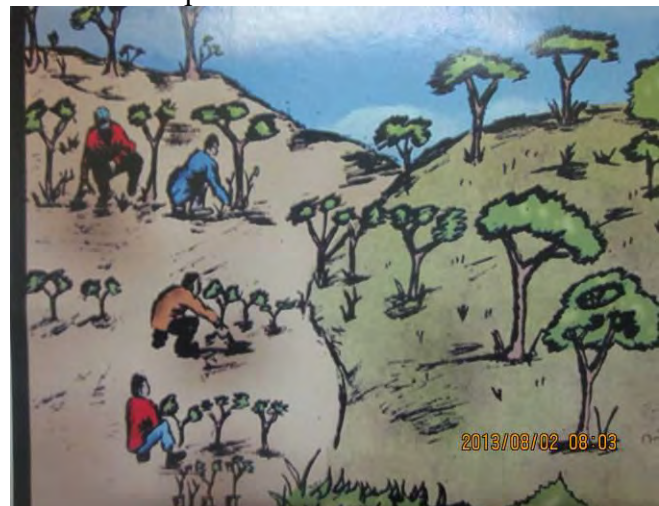
Tentherani nkhalango yanu mofulumira chaka chili chonse mwakasinthasinth.



Limirani nkhalango yanu m'malo osankhidwa Posupula mizu.



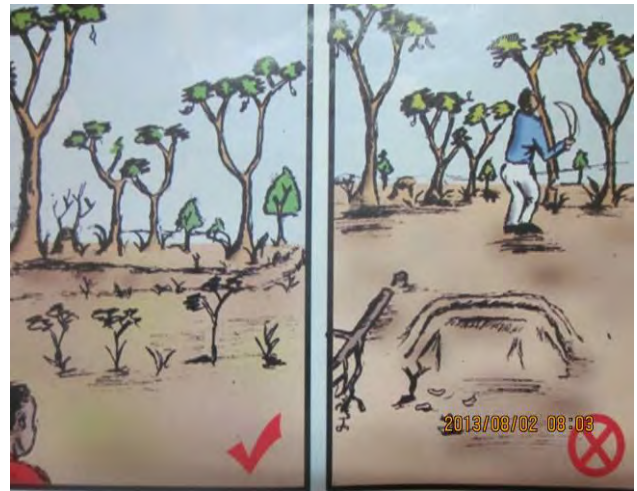
Dyetsani ziweto zanu mosamala ndipo chitani Kasinthasinth wa malowo chaka chilichonse.



Byalanimitunduyamitengoyoyenreram'maloopanda mitengo.



Konzani njira zopewera moto kuzungulira nkhalango yanu.



Yang'anirani bwino malo amene mumatengako Mbeu za mitengo yanu.



Patulirani mphukira munkhalango yanu.



Kololani nkhuu zanu mosamala.



Kololani mitengo yanu nthawi yoyenera.



Tolani mbeu ndimanja anu ndikumwaza mnkhalango.



Dulani mitengo yanu kupititsapatsogolo mphukira.



Budulani nsonga zamitengo.



Tsegulani madanga mnkhalango yanu.

Kupalira ndi kugwiritsa ntchito moto kumabwerezedwa mzaka zotsatira monga njira yosamalira nkhalango.

Chidziwitso: Tigwiritse ntchito moto kumitengo yokhayo yomwe siidana ndi moto.

KUDZALIRATU NJERE

Timagwiritsa njira imeneyi pamene mvula yayamba kugwa chifukwa njirayi njosalira kuthirira ayi

UBWINO NDI KUYIPA KOBZALIRATU NJERE.

UBWINO WAKE

KUYIPA KWAKE

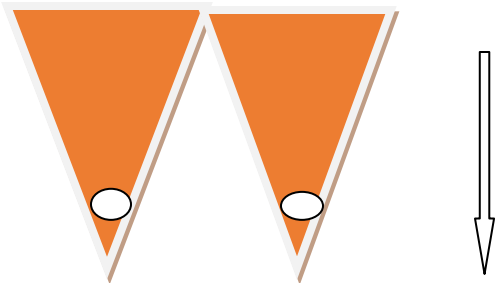

➤ -Ndiyosalemetsa;Ntchito zonse zakunazale sizimakhalapo monga;Kumanga mpanda,kuthira dithi mumachubu,kuthirira ndi zina zotero	➤ -Mitengo yomwe njere zake nzazing;onozingono nkovuta kugwiitsa ntchito njirayi(bulugama,cendereya)
➤ -Siyifuna ndalama zogulira	➤ -Ndikovuta kudzala malo akulu

machubu,makeni,mawilibala ndi zina	pogwiritsa ntchito njira iyi.
➤ -Mitengo yokula kale siyimadulidwa ndi cholinga chomangira mpanda wa nazale	➤ -Siungagulitse mbande za mitengo.
	➤ -Kupatulira mbande ndi ntchito ina yapadera.
	➤ -Kumalo kumene mvula ndiyovuta njirayi mbande zambiri sizingamere.

NTHAWI YOYENERA KUKHONZEKERA

Tionetsetse kuti takonzeratu malo amene tidzadzale njere zathu zimene tiri nazo mvula isanabwere Ndipo pamene mvula idzayambe kugwa\ kubwera tiyambe kudzala njerezo pa malowo Mosatira utali\ muyezo woyenera ndi mtundu wa Mitengoyo.

KUKUMBA MAYENJE

	
Tikumbe mayenje molingana ndi mbeu zomwe tikufuna kubyala. Tikatha tiyike mizere yopanga 'V' kuti izithandiza kusunga madzi.	Tikumbe dzenje lakuya theka la chala cha nkomba phala.

KUBYALA

		
Pobyala tisaunjike mbeu malo amodzi.	Pogwiritsa ntchito manja tikwilire molingana ndi kukula kwa njerezo.	Tikakwilira titsendere ndi phazi kapeni manja. Chidziwitso: Titsendere pang'ono pongofuna kuti njereze zigwirane ndi chinyonth chamudothi.



Pamene mbeu zamera
tilambulire Ngati tinango
byala osalambulira.

KUDZALA NTHAMBI ZA MITENGO

Nthambi zosadzulidwa komanso zodalizidwa bwino potsatira muyezo monga 2m -2m
Zimadzalidwa m'maenje akuya 60 cm.

UBWINO NDI KUYIPA KOBZALA NTHAMBI

UBWINO WAKE

➤ Mitengo yozalidwa munjirayi
imagwiritsidwa ntchito mwansanga
chifukwa imakula mofulumira.-

➤ Nchito za ku nazale sizikhalapo

➤ Siyimafuna ndalama zogulira
zipangizo monga za kunazale

KUYIPA KWAKE

➤ Ndiyolemetsa ngati tifuna kudzala
malo akulu

a) Kututa ndi kusamala
nthambizo

b) Kukumba maenje akulu-
akulu

➤ Ndi mitengo yochepa yokha yomwe
nthambi zake zimaphukira

NTHAWI YOYENELA KUKHONZEKERA

Mitengo ina monga Mlombwa timayenera kuduliza nthambi zake pamene mtengowo utayoyola
masamba koma usanayambe kuphukira ndipo nthambizo zizalidwe pamene mtengowo ukuyamba
kuphukira angakhale kuti mvula isanayambe kugwa.

Maenje akhale okula bwino lomwe (60cm kuya kwake). Titha kuchita izi miyezi ya
October ndi November.

Komanso nthambi zina monga za Gliricidia chamwamba titha kudzala pamene nvula
Yayamba kugwa

KUDZALA MBANDE

Kulembera mokumba maenje

Tiyenera kulembelera bwinobwino malo odzakumba mayenje molingana ndi mtundu wa mitengo
yodadzalidwa komanso ntchito yake.

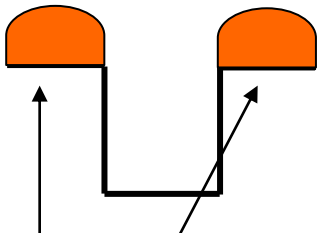
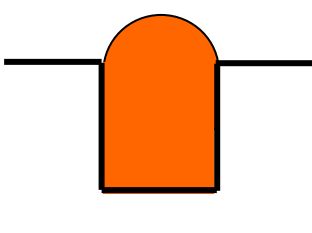
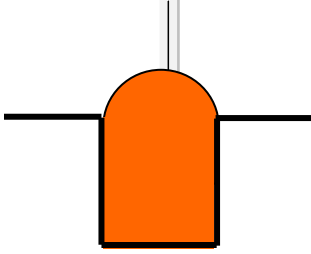
kukumba mayenje

Pokumba mayenje, dzenje likumbidwe pamulingo wa 30cm mulitali, 30cm mulifupi komanso 30cm kuya.

Makumbidwe

- Panthawi yokumba, tikumbe dothi lapamwamba lachonde ndikuliyika mbali imodzi, komanso dothi lapansi ndikuliyika mbali yina ya dzenje lokumbidwalo.
- Panthawi yokwilira, tiyambe ndi thothi lomwe linali pamwamba nthawi yokumba ndikumalizira dothi lomwe linali pansi.
- Potsiriza ikani kamtengo kuti malowo azidziwika.

Kakumbidwe mzithunzi

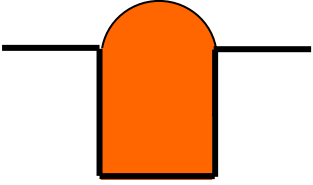

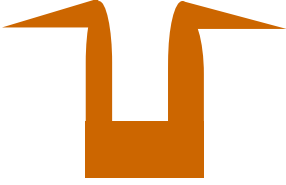
		
<p>1. Mukakumba dzenje bwezeretsani dothi lapamwamba/poyambilira kanako lapansi mudzenjelo.</p>	<p>2. Dothi mwabwezelalo lichite kaphiri padzenjelo.</p>	<p>3. Potsiriza ikani kamtengo kuti malowo azidziwika.</p>


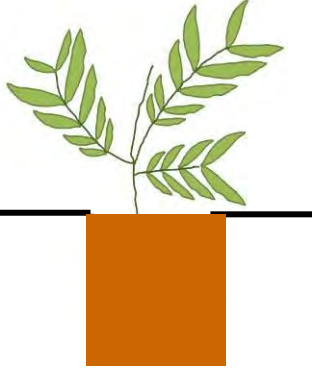
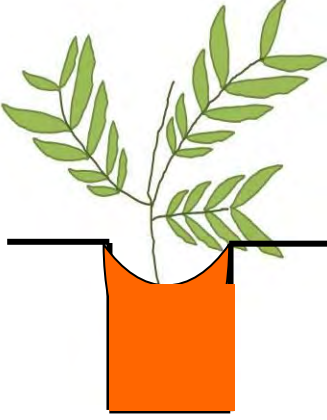
kubyala

Ntchito yobyala mbande kiumunda iyenera kuchitika pamene mvula yagwa mokwanira.

Ndondomeko ya kabyalidwe

- Chotsani kamtengo kanayikidwa padzenje kaja.
- Pogwiritsa ntchito manja kapena khasu salazani malo panakumbidwa dzenje paja.
- Kumbani bowo lkkwanira kudzalapo mtengo pakati pamalo adzenje aja.
- Ikani mtengo mubowo lokumbidwalo ndikuchotsa chubu kapena pakatimunadzalidwa mbandeyo.
- Chotsani chubu kapena pakati pokoka.
- Kwilirani mabandeyo ndipo pomaliza Onetsetsani kuti mwatsenderapogwiritsa ntchito mapazi.

		
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<p>4. Chotsani pulasitiki/chubu ndipo ikani mbande padzenjipo</p>	<p>5. Kwilirani dothi kulekezera m'mene munalekezera dothi la mu chubu.</p>	<p>6. Tsenderani dothi kuzungulira mbandeyo. Pangani kabeseni kuti madzi azikodwamo.</p>

Werengani zambiri mu gawo la zowonjezera.



ZOWONJEZERA**MITENGO YAKATUNDU WOPANGIDWA KUCHOKERA KU MITENGO**

KATUNDU	KUCHULUKA KWAKE	KUMUNDA	KUMSIKA	NDEMANGA
Mapolo	2-4 inches 5-6 inches 6-8 inches	K60.00 K80.00 K100.00	K200.00 K350.00 K450.00	
Nkhuni	Mendulo imodzi	K600.00	K3200.00	
Matabwa	6x7x1" 9x7x1" 10x7x1" 12x7x1" 12x7x2"	K285.00 K385.00 K485.00 K550.00 K1000.00	K450.00 K550.00 K650.00 K750.00 K2200	Matabwa onsewa ndi a mitengo ya chilengedwe Mitengo yosakhala yachilengedwe mtengo wake umatsikirapo
Mipini ya makasu	Umodzi	K80.00	K170.00	

Mitengoyi ikhonza kukwera molingana ndikukwera kwa zinthu pa msika

MITUNDU YAMITENGO NDI NTHAWI YOGWIRITSA NTCHITO

MTUNDU	NTHAWI	NTCHITO
Gliricidia	Zaka ziwiri	Manyowa,mbewu,nkhuni,kudyetsa ziweto
Kesha wa milimo	Zaka zisanu	Milimo,nkhuni
Kesha wa maluwa	Zaka zisanu	Milimo,nkhuni
India	Zaka zisanu	Milimo,nkhuni
Mtangatanga	Zaka zisanu	Milimo,nkhuni,
Bulugamu,	Zaka zinai	Milimo,nkhuni
Mphakasa	Zaka zinai	Nkhuni
Chitembe	Zaka zinai	Nkhuni

Dziwani ichi:Kupitilira zaka zimezi mitengo imeneyi ikhoza kuchekedwa matabwa.

NDONDOMEKO YA MMENE TINGATOLERERE NJERE ZA MITENGO PA CHAKA

Mtundu wa Mitengo	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nkunkhu												
Mthethe												
Minganzolo												
Msambamafumu												
Mtangatanga												
Mtangatanga												
Chitimbe												
Mpasa												
Mtondo												
Muwale												
Msangu												
Kachere												
Gliricidia												
Kamsatsi												
Mbawa												
Lukina												
Indiya												
Chammwamba												
Kesha wa milimo												
Kesha wa maluwa												
Naphini												
Sendrella												
Msikidzi												
Kankhande												
Masawo												
Kankhande												

**KABYALIDWE KOMANSO NYENGO YOMWE MBEU ZOSIYANASIYANA
ZINGAKHALIRE MU NAZALE**

Mtundu wa Mitengo	Njere pa phando/chubu	Kuya kwa dzenje lobyalira	Nyengo ya ku nazale
Nkunkhu	2	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Mthethe	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Minganzolo	2	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Msambamafumu	1	4 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Mtangatanga	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Mtangatanga	2	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Chitimbe	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16

Mpasa	3	1 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Mtondo	1	3 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Muwale	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Msangu	2	1.5 mpaka 2cm	5 to 12 weeks
Kachere	3	1 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Gliricidia	2	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Kamsatsi	3	3 cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Mbawa	5	3 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Lukina	3	1 cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Indiya	3	3 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Chammwamba	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Kesha wa milimo	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Kesha wa maluwa	3	1 cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Naphini	5	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 8 mpaka 12
Sendrella	5 to 10	0.5 cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Msikidzi	3	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Kankhande	3 nuts	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Masawo	3 nuts	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16
Kankhande	3nuts	1.5 mpaka 2cm	Masabata 10 mpaka 16

NDONDOMEKO YAKAGWIREDWE KA NTCHITO

NO	MWEZI	NTCHITO
1	January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kudzala mbande,mmalo amene takhoza. • Kugulitsa mbande zomwe takonza kuti tigulitse
2	February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kukonza malo anazale,polambula. • Kumanga mpanda wa nazale,kapeni kukonza mpanda wophwasuka. • Kukonzekera zida zogwiritsa ntchito mu nazale monga machubu. • Kulimira koyamba mitengo yodzalidwa kapeni mphunkira.
3	March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kukonza mkati mwa nazale. • Kututa dothi ndi nchenga. • Kuthira dothi mu machubu. • Kufesa mitundu yina ya mitengo yochedwa kukula monga-Mlombwa,Pine ndi nkungudza.
4	April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kukonza ma bedi ofesera njere. • Kuthira dothi mumachubu. • Kudzala mbande mumachubu,monga mbawa. • Kuthirira madzi. • Kutipulira mmachubu

5	May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kufesa njere zochedw kumera, kuwokera mbande mumachubu. • Kupitiliza kuthira dothi mmachubu. • Kuthirira. • Kuzulira udzu mu nazale.
6	June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kupitiliza kuthira dothi mumchubu. • Kulimira kachiwiri mitengo yodzalidwa/Mphukira. • Kulimira mu nazale. • Kuthirira. • Kufesa njere zomera nsanga.
7	July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kufesa njere zomera nsanga monga bulugama ndi kasha wa milimo. • Kkuwokera mbande mu machubu. • Kuthirira. • Kulimira udzu mu nazale.
8	August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kuwokera mbande za mitengo yokula msanga. • Kukonza mthudzi pa malo owokerera mbande. • Kuthirira. • Kudulira mitsitsi.
9	September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kupitiliza kukhonza mthudzi pa malo wowokerera mbande. • Kuthirira. • Kuzulira udzu. • Kudulira mitsitsi ya mbande.
10	October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kuchepetsa mthunzi. • Kuthirira. • Kulimira munazale ndi mmachubu (kutipulira). • Kudulir mitsitsi. • Kuyamba kulimbitsa mbande.
11	November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kupitiliza kulimbitsa mbande. • Kuchokocha mbande.(za msinkhu umodzi mbali imodzi.) • Kudulira mitsitsi. • Kukonzekeratu malo odzala mbande pokumba maenje.
12	December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kudzala mbande. • Kugulitsa mbande zomwe takonza kuti tigulitse.

Njere zamitengo yokula msanga tingayambe kuyifesa mwezi wa June mpaka mwezi wa July. Pomwe zochedwa kukula tingayambe kuzifesa mwezi wa March mpaka mwezi wa May.

jira zitatu zodzutsira njere

Kukhukhuza



Kukhebula



Kunyika m'madzi

MITUNDU YA MBEU NDIKADZUTSIDWE KAKE

No.	Mphaksa	Kungofesa
1	Mpinjipinji	Kungofesa
2	Binu/Jerejere	Kungofesa
3	Chammwamba	Kungofesa
4	Ntondo	Kungofesa
5	Chinama	Kungofesa
6	Chitimbe	Kungofesa
7	Kesha wamilimo	Kukhebula
8	Katope	Kunyika m'madzi maola 24
9	M'mbawa	Kunyika m'madzi maola 24
10	Gilirisidiya	Kunyika m'madzi maola 24
11	Nthudza	Kunyika m'madzi maola 24
12	Ngongomwa	Kunyika m'madzi mawola 24
13	Mombo	Kukhebula/kunyika m'madzi maola 24
14	Mtangatanga	Kukhukhuza/kungobyala
15	Indiya	Kukhukhuza/kungobyala
16	Likina	Kukhukhuza/kungobyala
17	Msangu	Kukhukhuza/kunyika m'madzi maola 24
18	Mthethe	Kukhukhuza/kunyika m'madzi maola 24
19	Nkunkhu	Kukhukhuza/kunyika m'madzi maola 24

ZITSANZO ZA MITENGO YOMWE TINGATHE KUGWIRITSA NTCHITO MNJIRA IMENEYI**MTENGO****NTCHITO YAKE.**

1.Bulugama	Nkhuni,Milimo,Matabwa,Kugulitsa
2.Caccia	Nkhuni,Milimo,Kukongoletsa malo.
3.Mbawa	Matabwa,Nkhuni,Kusunga madzi
4.Gliricidia	Nkhuni,Kubwezeretsa chonde mthaka
5.India	Matabwa,NkhuniZakudya za ziweto
6.Msangu	Kuwonjezela chonde mthaka, zakudya za ziweto

ZITSANZO ZA MITENGO YOMWE IMAPHUKIRA**MITENGO****NTCHITO ZAKE**

1.Mphakasa	Nkhuni Milimo,Kugulitsa
2.Mombo	Nkhuni,Milimo,Mingoma,Mipini,Luzi
3.Nkuyu	Kusunga madzi,Kudya
4.Tsanya	Ziboliboli,Nkhuni,Matabwe,Nkhuni,Milimo,Misi,
5.Naphini	Ziboliboli,Nkhuni,Matabwa,Milimo
6.Katope	Kusunga madzi, Nkhuni
7.Chitimbe	Nkhuni,Kudya

ZITSANZO ZA MITENGO YOMWE TINGATHE KUGWIRITSA NTCHITO NJIRAIMENEYI**MITENGO****NTCHITO ZAKE**

1.Ngongomwa	Nkhuni,Matabwa,Mankhwala
2.Mango	Kudya,Nkhuni,Matabwa
3.Malalanje	Kudya,Nkhuni, Kugulitsa
4.Mapeyela	Kudya, Mankhwala, Nkhunikugulitsa
5.Nimu	Mankhwala,Nkhuni
6.Mbawa	Matabwa,Nkhuni, Kusunga madzi
7.Pichesi	Kudya Kugulitsa,Nkhuni
8.India	Kudyetsa ziweto, Nkhuni,Matabwa

ZITSANZO ZA MITENGO YOMWE TITHA KUDZALA NTHAMBI ZAKE**MITENGO****NTCHITO ZAKE**

1.Mlombwa	Matabwa,Mankhwala ammimba,Nkhuni
2.Kachere	Kusunga madzi,Ulimbo,Kudya zipatso
3.Nsatsimanga	Kumangire mpanda,kupangira dizilo.
4.Ntumbu	Kumangira mpanda,mankhwala azilonda
5.Chammwamba	Ndiwo,mankhwala oonjezela chitetezo nthupi.
6.Gliricidia	Kuwonjezera nthaka,nkhuni

NJIRA ZOTETEZERA MITENGO KU CHISWE

Kudera komwe chiswe ndi vuto lalikulu tiyenera kutsata nfundo izi kuti titeteze mitengo yathu ku chiswe:

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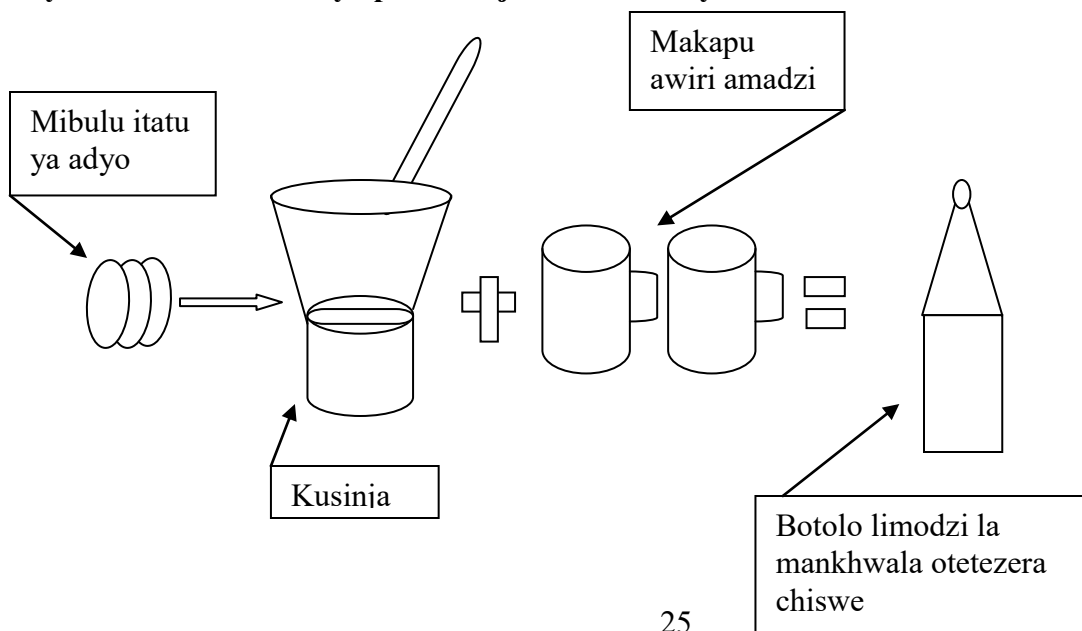
1. Panthawi yomwe tikuyika dothi m'machubu tikhonza kusakaniza dothi lathu ndiphulusa kapeni makala (onyenyanyanya). (Neem ndimtengo wodziwikiratu umene umagwira ntchito bwino)
2. Kubyala njere zowonjezera kuti tiwonjezere mwai wa mbande yina kupulumuka ku chiswe.
3. Tipewe kugwiritsa ntchito za nthochi m'malo mwa machubu chifukwa zimakopa kwambiri chiswe.
4. Ngati tikudziwa malo omwe chiswe chikuchokera, tikathire mafuta agalimoto ogwira kale ntchito (Oil) pa chulu chomwe pali chiswecho.
5. Ngati tingakwanitse tikhonzaso kuthira nkodzo pachulucho.
6. Kuphwasula njira za chiswe.
7. Kuwotcha/kutentha dothi lomwe tikufuna kugwiritsa ntchito munazale yathu.
8. Kusaka ndikupha make gang'a.
9. Kuyika mathunthu a nthochi mozungulira nazale yathu.

CHIDZIWITSO: Njira 1, 3, 4, 5, 7 ndi 8, zikhonzanso kugwiritsidwa ntchito kumunda wa mitengo.

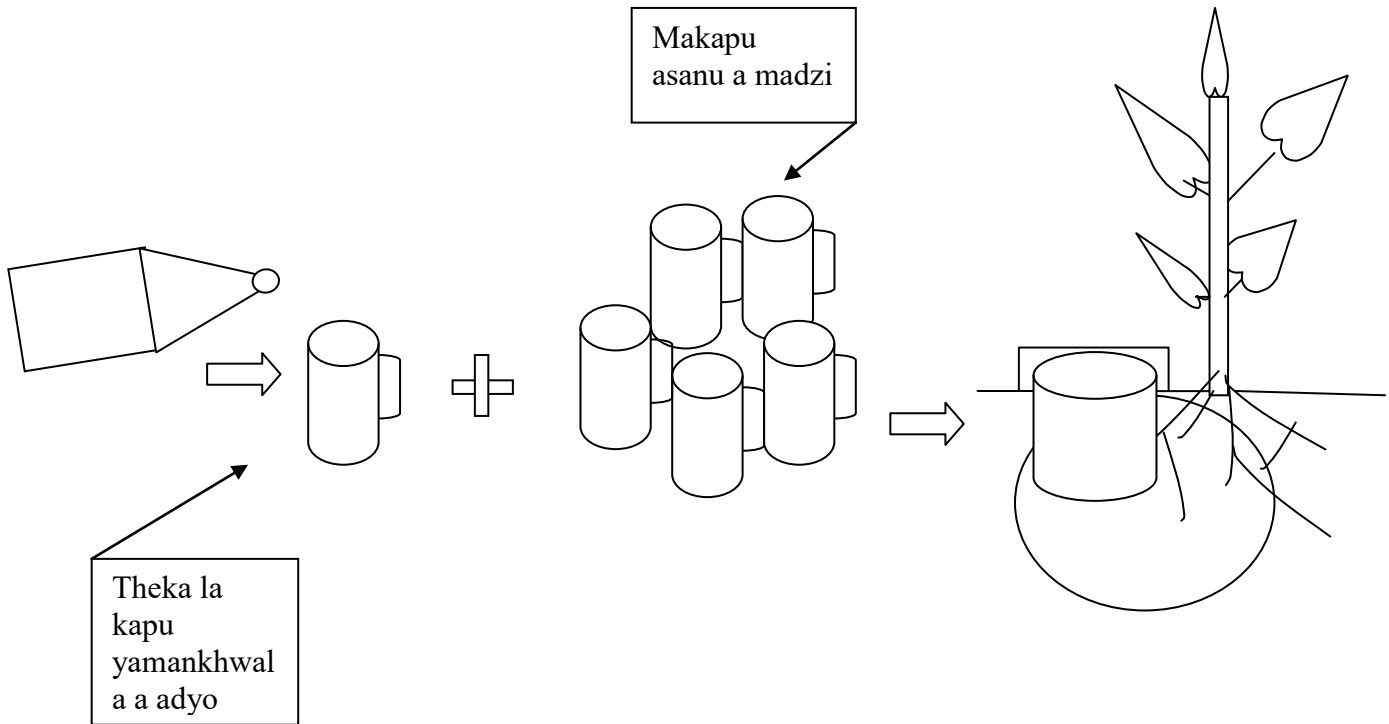
Kumunda wa mitengo

1. M'munda wa mitengo ing'ono ing'ono tipewe kupalira nkusiya zinyalala momwazikana. Tikapalira zinyalala tiziyike mozunguliza (rings). Izi zimathandiza kukopa chiswe kumtundu wina wachakudya.
2. Kumalo komwe kuli kouma tikuyenera kubyala njere kapena mbande zathu kumayambiliro kwa nyngo ya nvula kuti tipereke mpata kwa mbeu zathu kuti zikhazikike ndikukula mwathanzi.
3. Tikhonzaso kumathilira mitengo yathu ndimadzi osakaniza ndi adyo pogwiritsa ntchito njira ya drip:

Poyamba sakanizani adyo potsata njira iri m'musiya:



Kuthilira;



3. Molingana ndi mitengo yomwe imamera kudera lathulo tikhonzaso kubya mitengo yomwe imapilira kuchiswe.

MITUNDU YA MITENGO YOMWE IMAPILIRA KU CHISWE

No.	Mtundu Wa mtengo	Dzina la Sayansi
1	Neem	Azadirachta indica
2	Mthethe	Acacia polyacantha
3	India	Melia azedarach
4	Bluegum	Eucalyptus microcorys
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- iii. Phulusa
- iv. Madzi
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1.2 Kapangidwe ka Chimato

① Kukonzekera Zida



1) Tikonzekere zipangizo zokwanira tisanayambe kupanga chimato. Izi zimathandiza kusunga nthawi. Zipangizo zikakwana tiyambe kuyeza malo a chimato.

② Kayezedwe



2) Tingayeze bwanji ndi thupi lathu.?
Tikatere ndipafupifupi 1 m.



3) Mulingo wabwino wa Chimato
ndi 1m x 2m.



4) Mukapeza muyeze wa Chimato
lemberani pomwe Chimato
chipangidwe.



5) Mukalemberera ikani njerwa
m'bali.



6) Pa 60 cm iriyonse ikani mitengo
kuti mupange mphako.



7) Mphako zimenezi zimathandizira
kuti mpweya uziyenda bwino.



8) Mukayika mitengo ndi njerwa zimawoneka
chonchi.





9) Konzani ndodo ziwiri za 1.5m.



10) Ziyimitseni mbari mwa mitengo yogonekedwayo.

③ Kuwaza Phulusa



11) Phulusa limathandiza kuteteza chiswe kuti chisalowe mu Chimato



12) Tikamaliza kitsira Phulusa tit sire madzi

④ Kuyika Zinyalala



13) Ikani Zinyalala/mapesi zoduladula pa mulingo wa 20cm-30cm



14) Chonde tisachinyire zinyalala



15) Zinyalala zisapyole m'mene talemberera.



16) Zinyalala zikakwana mulingo wa20cm-30cm tiwaze ndowe pamwamba pake.



17) Tikatha kuthira ndowe tithire madzi okwanira mpaka zinyalala zones zinyowe.



18) Tikamaliza, tipange ndondomeko yomweyi mpaka chimato chitalike 1m.

⑤ Kumata



19) Tikamaliza kuyika zinyalala pa mulingo wa 1m, tifundise chimato chathu ndi udzu, mapesi kapeni zisaka. Tikonze dothi lomatira.



20) dothi lathu likapya tiyambe kumata chimato chathu



21) chimato chimawoneka chonchi tika maliza kumata

⑥ Kuchotsa ndodo



22) Pakatha masiku atatu tichotse mitengo ija tinagoneka ndinso ndodo zomene tinayimika. Pochotsa mitengo kapene ndodozo m'mabowomo mumatuluka mpweya wotentha. Ngati simutuluka mpweya wotentha ndiye kuti chimato chathu sitinakonze bwino. Izi zimachitika ngati sitinathire madzi okwanira Pakapita nthawi chimato chathu chikasiyakutentha tiziwonjezera madzi m'mabowomo.

Nthawi yopuma!!



2. Kuyeza katsetserokedwe ka malo

2.1 Kukonzekera zida

① Zipangizo

- i. Ndodo ziwiri
- ii. Chingwe chotarika 10m
- iii. Levulo

② Kukonzekera Ndodo



1) Koyimikira ndodo zathu tidulize
ndi chikwanje chakuthwa kuti
kukhale thyathyathya



2) Yezani ndodo imodzi
ndikuyilemba pa mulingo wa 160cm
kuyambira pansi.



3) Dulani ndodo yomwe
munayilemba pa mulingo wa
160cm.



4) dulaninso ndodo yina pa mulingo
wa 160cm.



5) Yezani ndodo imodzi malo atatu motalikana 50cm pena paliponse.
(Tikaphatikiza 150cm). Ndodo imeneyi muyilembe kuit 'A'



6) Yezani ndodo ina pamulingo wa
150cm kuchokera pansi pogwiritsa
ntchito ndodo "A" . ndodo imeneyi
muyilembe "B"

③ Kumanga chingwe pa ndodo ndi kuyika levulo pa chingwe



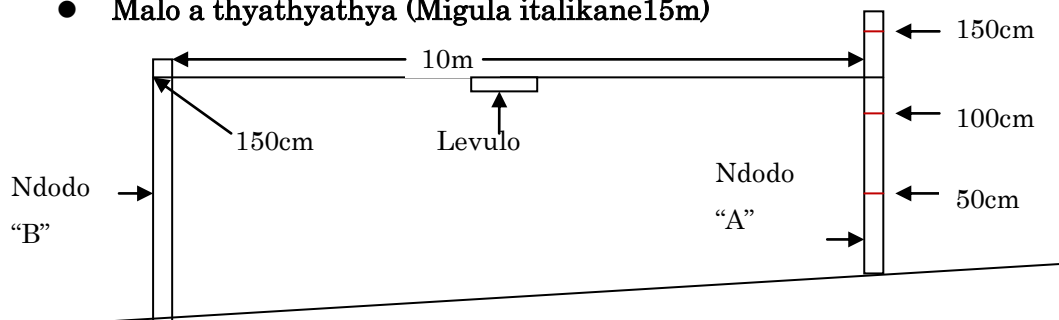
7) Tikonze chingwe chotalika 10m koma chipyoleko pang'ono kupangira
pomanga pa ndodo zathu. Timange mothinis chingwe pandodo 'B' pamene
talembe 150cm. Mbaliyina timange mpokhwepesa ku ndodo 'A'



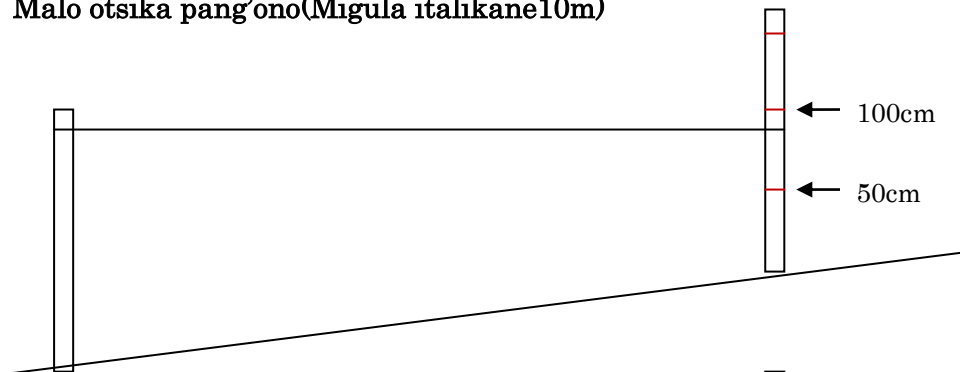
8) Tikamaliza kumanga chingwe kumitengo tiyike levulo pakati pa chingwe pamene ndi 5m

2.2 Kuyeza katsetserokedwe ka malo

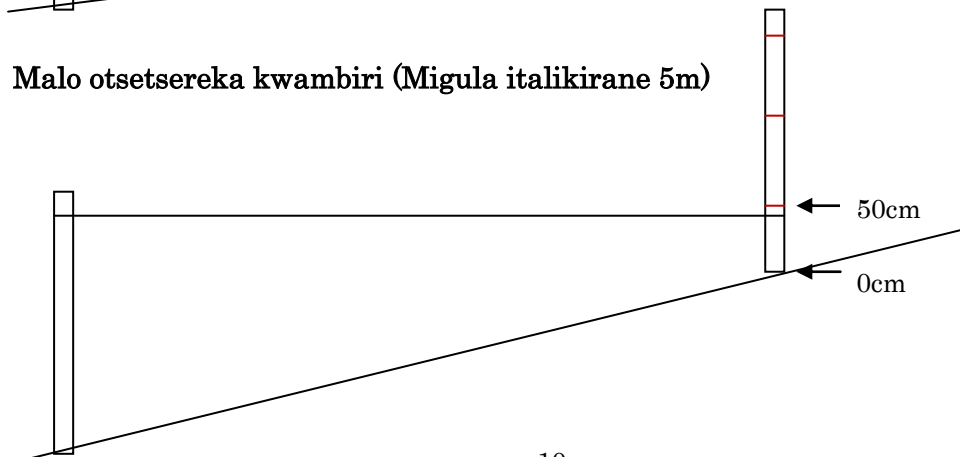
- Malo a thyathyathya (Migula italikane 15m)



- Malo otsika pang'ono (Migula italikane 10m)



- Malo otsetsereka kwambiri (Migula italikirane 5m)





1) Ndodo “A” ikhale kuntunda kwa munda umene tikufuna tiyeze. Kokerani ndodo ‘A’ kumusi kuti chingwe chikungike. Munthu wachitatu ayenera kuyang’ana malo a mpweya mu levulo ndikumuuza munthu wogwira ndodo ‘A’ ngati chingwe chiyenera kukwera mwamba kapeni kutsika.



2) Munthu woyang’ana levulo awuze wan dodo ‘A’ kuti asasunthe ngati madzi amu lavulo afika pakati-kati.



3) Munthu amene wagwira ndodo ‘A’ anene pamene chingwe chili ndipo wolemba alembe ndi kufotokoza kutsetsereka kwa malo



4) Tikhome chikhomo pamene tinayimika ndodo ‘B’ kuti chizatithandize kudziwa katalikidwe ka migula.

3. Kupanga Migula

3.1 Kukonzekera Zida

① Zida (‘A’-Felemu) –ndodo zitatu, misomali itatu, chingwe, mwala, hamala (mwala),chikwanje, zikhomo.



1) Tipeze mitengo itatu yowongoka bwino ndipo iwiriyo tiyidulize bwinobwino pansi pake kuti pakhale thyathyathya.



2) Mitengo iwiriyo tiyimike pamodzi ndipo pogwiritsa ntchito dzanja lathu tiyike chizindikiro pamene pathera zala zathu.



3) Tikatha kuyika zizindikiro tidule nsonga imene yasala pamene panafika zala zathu.



4) Tikadula ndodozo, tiziyeke pamodzi ndikukwezanso nkono wathu mpaka pamwamba pandodozo.



5) tikwezenso nkono wathu ndikuyika chizindikiro pamene pathere dzanja lathu.



6) Mitengo iwiriyo tiyipingase ndikuyimangirira ndichingwe ndi kukhoma misomali pamene tinayika chizindikiro



7) Tiyimike mitengoyo ndikuyitambasula mpaka pamene tinakhoma msomali pafike pamphumi.



8) iri chiyimile chonchi tisonyeze ndimkono pamene pali mchombo wathu.



9) Titenge mtengo winandikuwuyika mopingasa potengerapamene panafika mchombo wathu.



10) Tiwonesetse kuti mtengo wathuwo uli chimodzimodzi mbali zones ndikuyikamo zizindikiro.



11) Tiyike zizindikiro pamene mitengo yoyimayo inayima ndicholinga choti tikamayigoneka isasinthe.



12) Tidule nsonga zonse zotsala molingana ndi m'mene tauyezera mtengo wathu.



13) Mtengo wawopingasawo ukhomedwe mbali zonse ndimisomali m'malo m'mene tinayika zizindikiro.





14) Mangani chingwe pakati pamene pasemphana mitengopo.



15) Kokani chingwe kuti chifike m'musi.



16) Tiyeze utali wa chingwe kuchokera pa mtengopo kifika pamene tingamangirire mwala pogwiritsa ntchito dzanja ndipo tiyikepo chizindikiro.



17) Timange mwala kuchingwemofananiza ndi chizindikiro chatu



18) Ngati chingwe chinali chachitali tidule.



19) Tiyimike kuti tione ngati malo tinayimika aja ndiomwewo.



20) Ikani chizindikiro pamene chingwe chikudutsa pamtengo wopingasawo mwala ukayima.



21) Tikatha titembenuze ndipo ndodo ziyime pomwe zinaima kale.



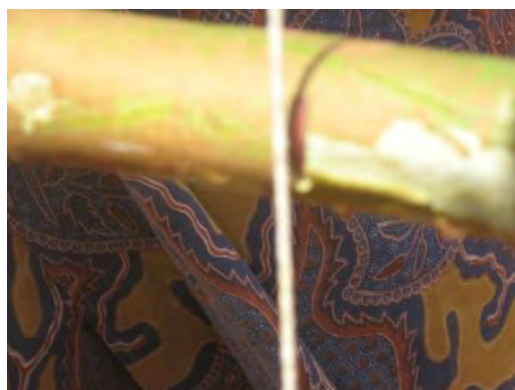
22) Yendetsani mwala wakuchingwe ndipopamene ungamenye katatu ikani chizindikiro chachiwiri.



23) Pazizindikiro ziwirizo tipeze pakati pake pogwiritsa ntchito kamtengo kapena udzu.



24) Tikatero tiyikepo chizindikiro. Chingwe chimawoneka chonchi chikayima pakati pachizindikiro.



② **Kapangidwe ka Layini Levulo**

Zida: mitengo iwiri, chingwe, levulo, chikwanje, zikhomo, mwala



1) Dulizani ndodo zonse ziwiri kuti zikhale za thyathyatha.



2) Yezani kutalika kwandodo poyerekeza ndi msinkhu wanu ndipo ikanipo chizindikiro.



3) Mukapeza utali wandodo zanu dulani pomwe munayika zizindikiro.



4) Ndipo yezani kutalika kwa laini levulo yanu potengera muyezo wa pachifuwa chanu.



5) ndipo ikanipo chizindikiro.



6) Mangani ndodo Mbali zonse ndichingwe chotalika 5m muzizindikiro muja.



7) Umu dim'mene imawonekera Laini Levulo takamaliza kupanga.

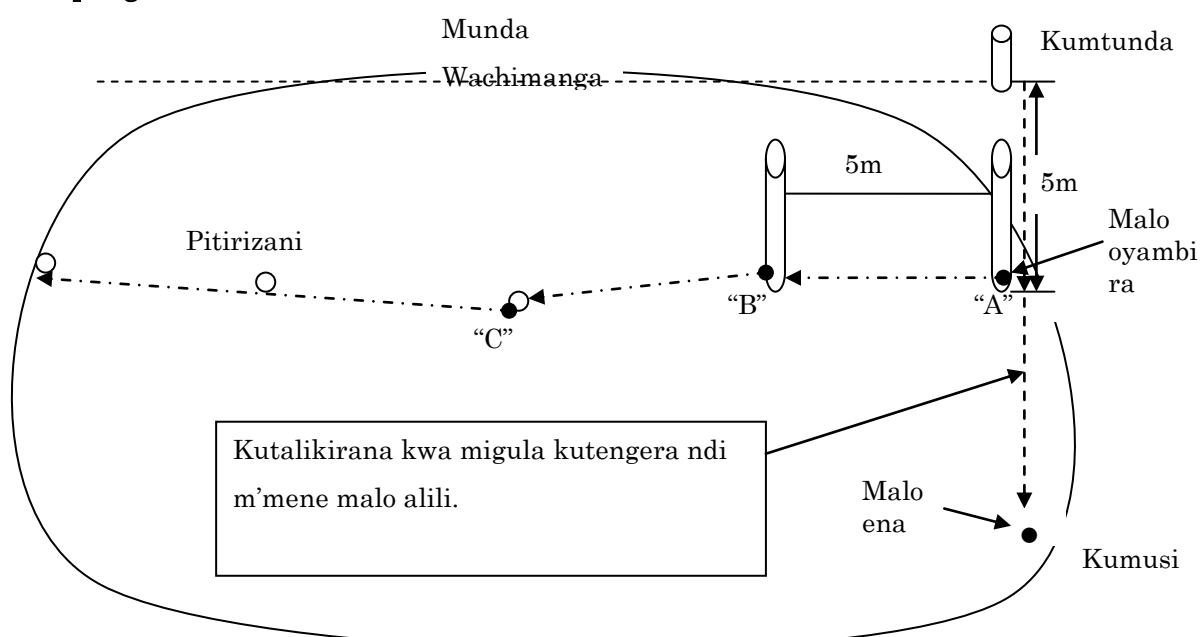


8) Tipeze pakati poyika Laini Levulo popinda chingwe pakati ndikuvikapo chizindikiro.



9) Ikani Levulo pakati pachizindikiro.

3.2 Kupanga akalozera



① Kuyika Zikhomo

①-1 Pogwiritsa ntchito Laini Levulo



1) Khomani chikhomo kumtunda kwa munda ndikuyeza 5m kulowera kumusi kwamunda kuchokera pachikhomopogwiritsa ntchito Laini Levulo.



2) Mgula wathu woyamba uyambire pomwe takhoma chokhomochi (5m kulowa mkati mwa munda). Tikatero tiyambe kuyeza pogwiritsa ntchito aini Levulo.



3) Tikayimika Laini Levulo yathu tionetsetse kuti chingwe chakungika.



4) Wogwira ndodo yotsogola 'B' ndiamene amasunthasuntha ndicholinga choti madzi amulevulo akhale pakatikati. akawona kuti afika pakati ayime.



5) Ikani chikhomo pamene pali ndodo 'B'. zikatele ndiye kuti malo a ndodo 'A' ndi ndodo 'B' ndiofanana.



6) Sunthani ndodod "A" kuti ikayime pamene panali ndodo "B". Ndipo ndodo 'B' itsogolenso. Mwachidule ikaime pa malo amene tingawatchule kuti 'C'.tiwonenso nga madzi afaanana ndikukhomanso chikhomo. Tipange chimodzimodzi mpaka kumapeto.

①-2 Pogwiritsa ntchito A-Felemu



1) Kagwiritsidwe ntchito ka 'A' felemu ndichimodzimodzi Laini Levulo. Imikani ndodo yoima yambali imodzi ya 'A' Felemu pamalo "A" ndipo onetsetsani kuti 'A' Felemu yaima mowongoka.



2) Suntha suthani mwendo 'B' kuti uyime pamalo pomwe pakufanana ndi malo 'A'.



3) Tiwonetsetse kuti 'A' Felemu yathu yaima mowongoka ndipo tiuyendetse mwala wathu wakuchingwe.



4) Tiwonetsetse kuti chingwe chikumenya mtengo wopingasa katatu paja tinayika chizindikiro. Ngati chingwe sichimenya pamodzimodzi katatu tizisuntha mwendo 'B' kuti tipeze malo omwe chingwe chingamenye katatu pa chizindikiro.



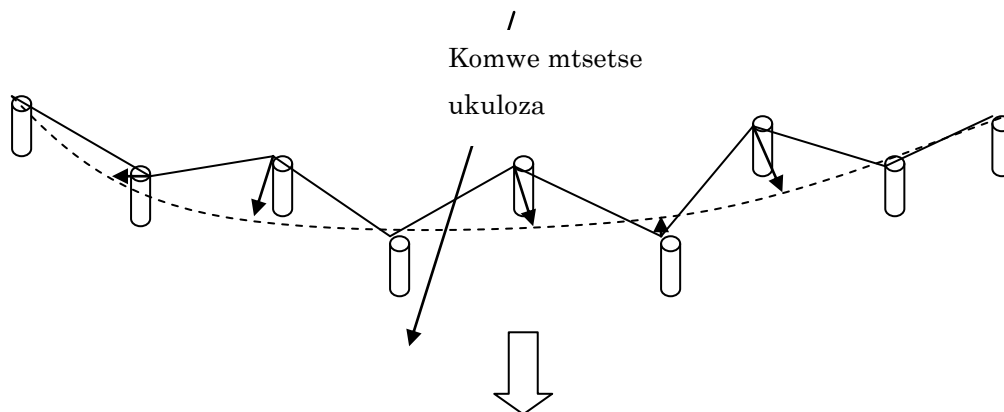
5) tiyike chikhomo pamene chingwe chamenya katatu, kutanthauza kuti malo 'A' ndi 'B' ndiofanana.



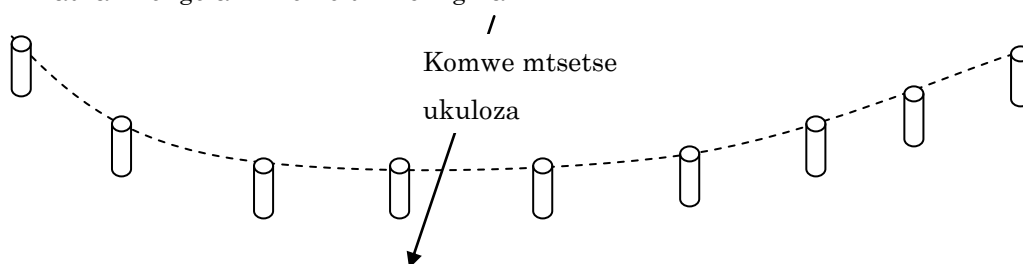
6) Mwendo 'B' uli malo omwewo sunthani mwendo "A" pamalo ena pamene tikufuna tiyeze (C) pozunguza "A" Felemu. Titsatire ndondomeko imeneyi mpaka kumaliza.

② Kuwongola Zikhomo

Tisaulime mgula tisanawongole zikhomo



Tikatha kuongola zikhomo tilime mgula



1) Pamafunika anthu atatu powongola zikhomo. Ayime mbali imodzi yazikhomo zotsatana. Anthu awiri aziyang'ana munthu amene azimuza kuti asunthe chikhomo. Munthu amene asunthe chikhomo ayang'ane munthu wachitatu ndikutsimikizirana ndimunthu wachiwiri kuti zikhomo zaima mofanana



2) Ngati kuli koyenera kuti chikhomo chisunthe munthu wachiwiri auzidwe mbali yosunthira mpaka awonetsetse kuti zikhomo zafanana.



3) Chikhomo chikhomedwe pamene payima munhtu wachiwiri. Munthu wachitatu ayime pachikho chomwec ho koma ena awiri akayimenso pazikhomo zakutsogolo. Titsatire ndondomeko yomweyi mpaka kumaliza.



1) Kuti mgula wathu uwongoke bwino, tigwiritse ntchito chingwe dipo tizilima motsatira chingwe.



4) Zikhomo zonse zikawongoledwa zimawoneka chonchi.



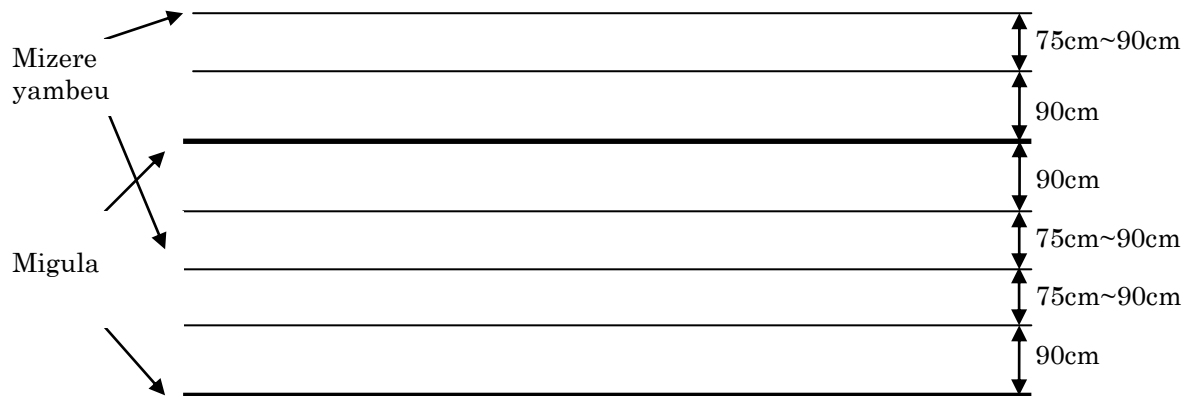
2) Undani mbali zonse



3) Tikamaliza kuunda mgula wathu uwoneke chonchi.

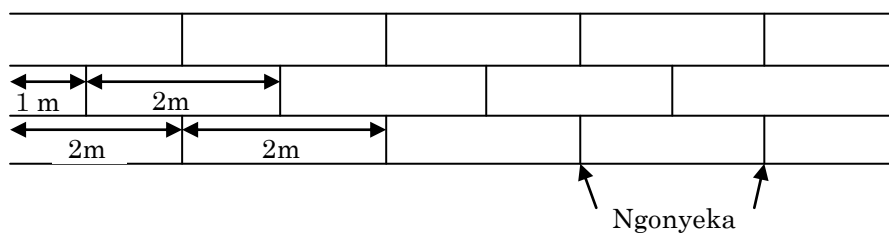
Apa mungathe kuwona mmene mizere yathu yoyamba imayendera tisanalime mgula.

3.3 Kubweza mizere



1) Posatira mgula, tiyambe kubweza mizere. Mizere woyamba wakumtunda utalikane 90cm ndi mgula chifukwa ndiumene titazakumbe ngalande yokololera madzi. Koma mizere yonse yotsatira italikane 75cm.

3.4 Kupanga Ngonyeka



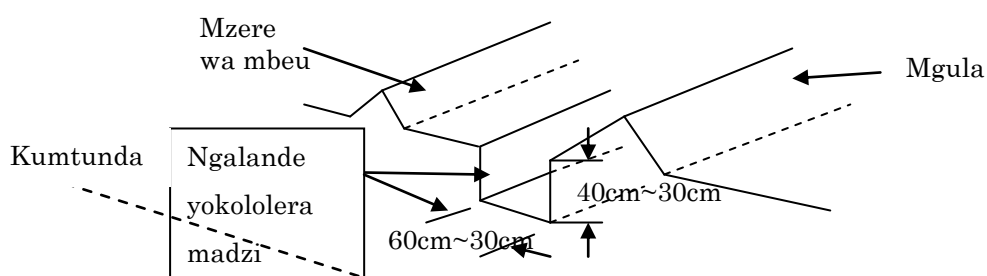


1) Tipange ngonyeka pakati pamizere motalikana 2cm.



2) Tikamaliza mzere woyamba tisalimbanenso ndikuyeza, tiyike ngonyeka pakati powonera ngonyeka za mzere woyamba.

4. Ngalande zokololera Madzi (Swale)



A Ngalande imeneyi imakumbidwa kumtunda kwa munda wathu. Ndipo imayenera kuti iye 40cm ndipo mulitali 60cm. Chifukwa chakulimba kwanthaka nthawi yachilimwe mukhonza Kukumba m'mene mungathere koma isachepere 20cm.





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1.0 KUTETEZA NDI KUKONZA NGALANDE ZA MADZI

Zigwembe ndi chimodzi mwa zotsatira zoopsa chifukwa cha kukokoloka kwa nthaka m'dziko muno. Izi sizikhudza minda yokha komanso zimakhudza Madera okhalamo, malo odyetsera ziweto, madambo kapena m'mitsinje, miseu ndi milatho. Vuto la zigwembe limakula chifukwa cha m'chitidwe wolima m'malo otsetsereka kwambiri komanso m'mphepete mwa mitsinje, kulima kophwanya migula, kugwiritsa ntchito njira za m'minda zosakwezera komanso malire a m'munda, kudiyetsa ziweto mowirikiza kufupi ndi malo otungira madzi ndi m'madimba, kulambula malo komanso kudula mitengo mosasamala ndi njira zina zotetezera nthaka zomwe zimapangidwa mosasamala.

2.0 Kodi Zigwembe ndichiyani?

Ming'alu kapena ngalande zikulu-zikulu zozama theka la mita (0.5m) zimatchedwa zigwembe. Chigwembe ndi ngalande yomwe imang'ambidwa ndi madzi othamanga omwe amathamanga nthawi imene mvula ikugwa yambiri ndi pamene yagwa kumene.

2.1 Zinthu zimene zimapangitsa zigwembe

- Kulima m'malo otsetsereka kwambiri.
- Kulima m'mphepete mwa m'itsinje.
- Kuphwanya migula.
- Kudiyetsa ziweto pa malo amodzi mowirikiza.
- Kudula mitengo mosasamala.
- Miseu, ngalande komanso njira zodutsamo madzi zosakonzedwa bwino.
- Njira zosakwezera.
- Kuchepa kwa njira zotetezera nthaka.

2.2 Kuipa kwa zigwembe

2.2.1 kumtunda

- Kukokoloka kwa nthaka.
- Kuchepa kwa malo olima.
- Kuguga kwa nthaka.
- Kuchepa kwa zokolola.

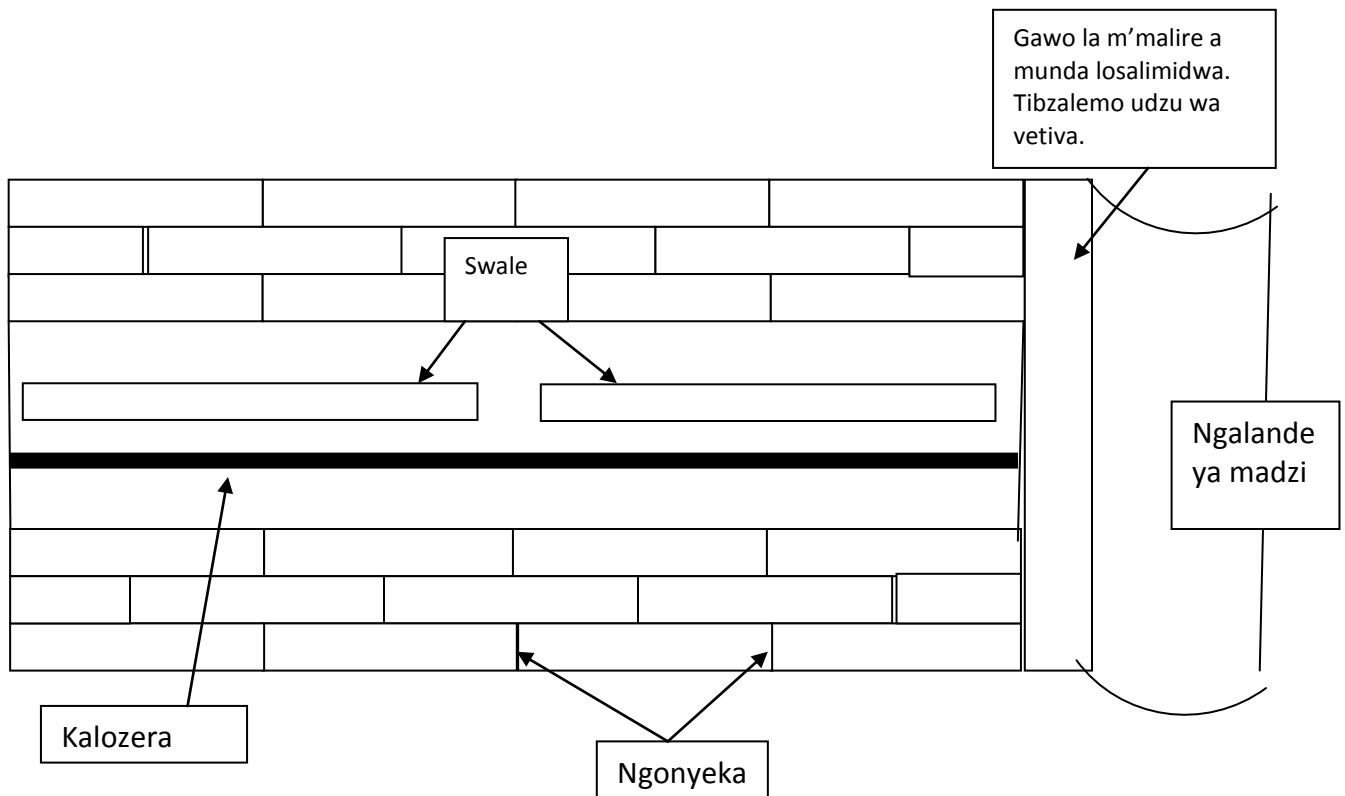
2.2.2 Kumusi kwa zigwembe

- Kuduka kwa miseu.
- Kukwilirika kwa mitsinje ndi nyanja.
- Kuonongeka kwa makina opangira magetsi.
- Kusokonekera kwa ntchito za makampani komanso zipatala.

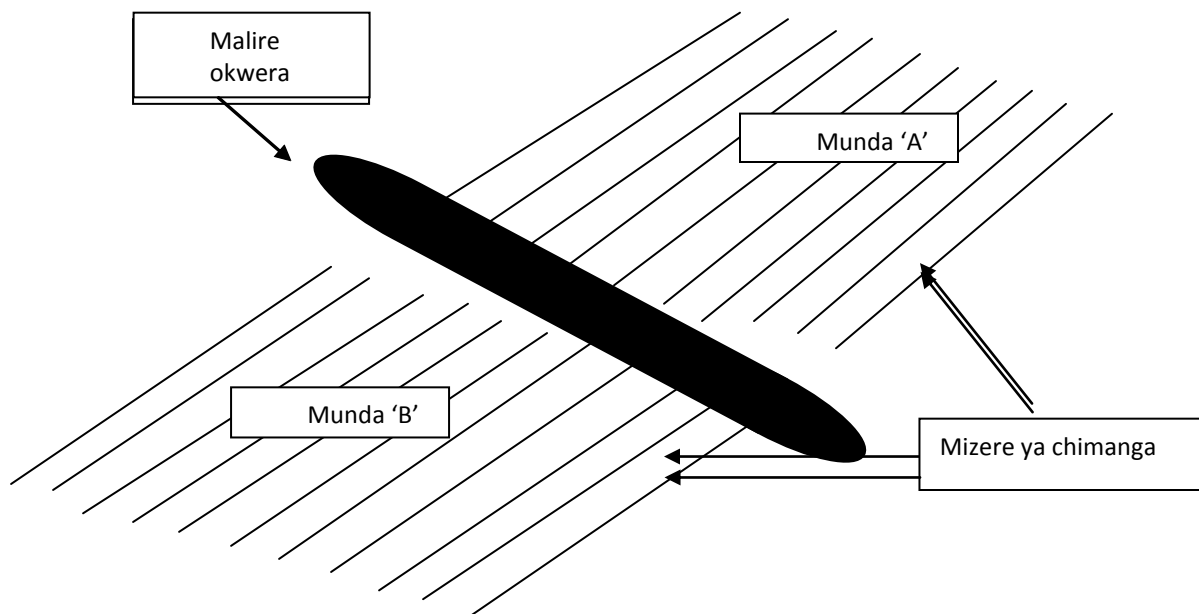
3.0 Kupewa zigwembe

Njira yabwino yothana ndi vuto la zigwembe ndikulimbikitsa kugwiritsa ntchito njira zomwe zimathandiza kuti madzi azilowa m'dothi ndikuchepetsa kuthamanga kwa madzi:

- Tiyenera kukonza minda yathu poyika migula ndi ngonyeka, swale, kutseka kumapeto a mizere ndikusiya gawo lakumapeto a munda lomwe lachita malire ndi ngalande za madzi losalimidwa ndikubzalamo udzu wa vetiva kuteteza makoma angalandezo kuti angagwe.



- Njira ndi malire a minda yathu zikhale zokwezera.



- Zitsamba zotchinjiriza nthaka ku madzi a mvula pa migula ndi kubzala mitengo.

4.0 Kukonza Zigwembe

Ngati m'malo amene tikukhala kapena m'minda mwathu sitinatsate njira zoyenera zomwe zimathandiza madzi a mvula kulowa pansi kapena tadula mitengo mosasamala ngalande za madzi zikhonza kukula mosavuta nkusanduka zigwembe.

Pamene zigwembe zachitika m'mdera lathu, choyamba tiyenera kulingalira chomwe chikuyambitsa vuto la kukokoloka kwa nthaka ndikupeza njira zothetsera vutoli.

4.1 Choyambitsa

- Kuchuluka kwa madzi.
- Kuthamanga kwa madzi.

4.2 Kupewa kwake

- Pofuna kuchepetsa kuchuluka kwa madzi tiyenera kupanga akalozera ndi ngonyeka m'minda mwathu kuti madzi akhale ndimpata wolowa pansi pamene nvula yagwa.
- Pofuna kuchepetsa kuthamanga kwa madzi tiyenera kumanga ma tchinga kuyambira kumtunda kwa ngalande za madzi.

4.3 Kodi tchinga ndichiyani?

Tchinga ndi khoma kapeni mpanda womwe ungamangidwe mungalande ya madzi kapena chigwembe ndicholinga chochepetsa kuthamanga kwa madzi kuti nthaka isakokoloke.

4.4 Kamangidwe ka ma tchinga

4.5 Malo oyika tchinga

Tisanamange tchinga lathu tiyenera kuyendera ngalande yathu kuti tiwone malo abwino omwe tingayike tchinga lathu kuti lisakokoloke. **Monga;** Tisayike tchinga lathu malo omwe madzi amathamanga kwambiri ndi mwamphanvu kuti tchinga lathu lingakokoloke.

Mukhonza kumanga matchinga amitundu yosiyana malinga ndi zipangizo zomwe mwakwanitsa kupeza.

5.0 Mitundu ya ma tchinga

5.1 Tchinga la miyala

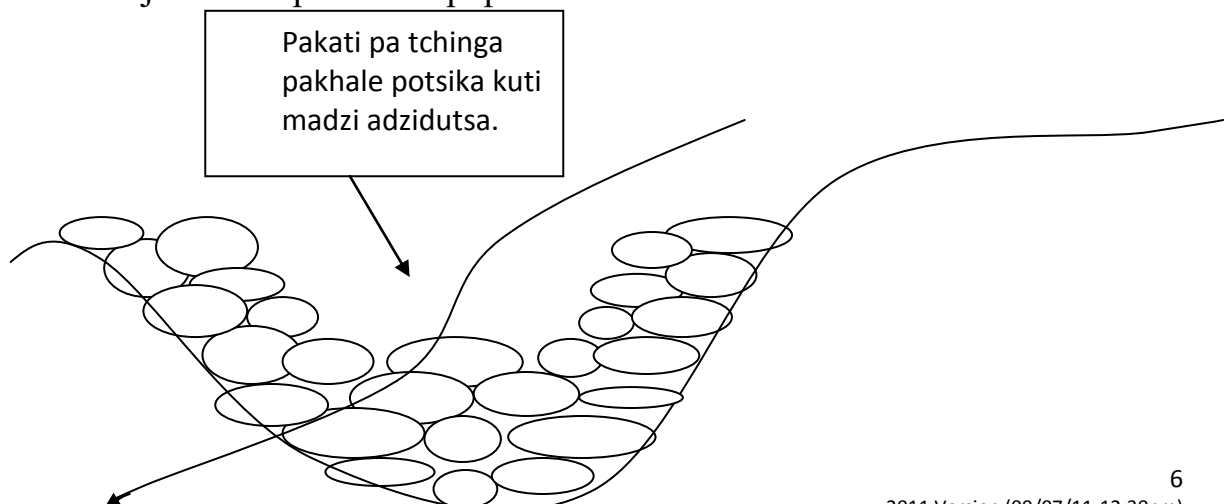
5.2 Zipangizo zofunika

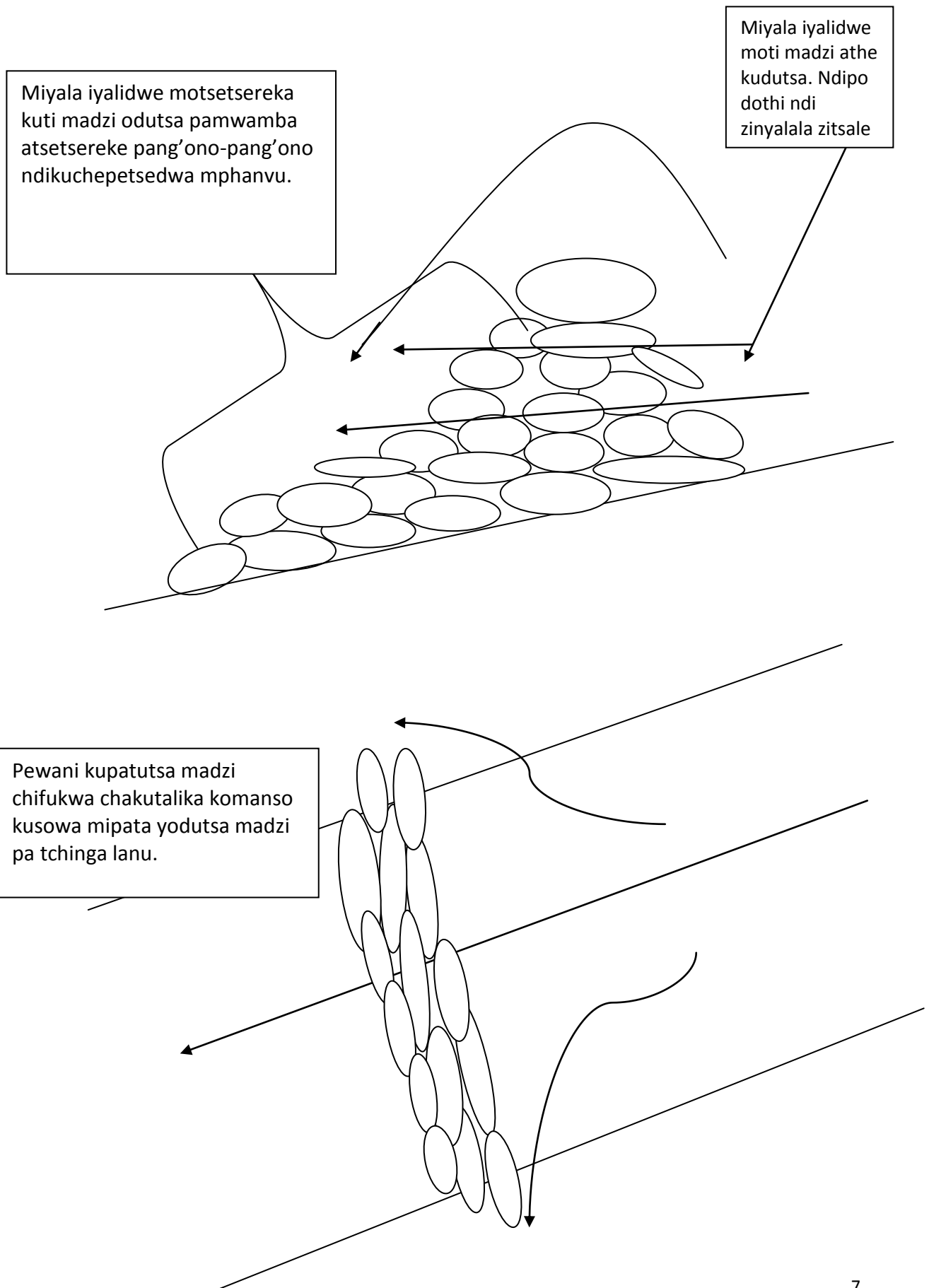
- Miyala.
- Makasu.
- Vetiva, nthochi ndi zomera zina zoyenera monga nsenjere.

Kumalo kumene kuli miyala yambiri, miyala ikhoza kugwiritsidwa ntchito popanga tchinga powunjika miyalayi

5.3 Kamangidwe

Miyala imaunjikidwa mpaka ku zipupa.





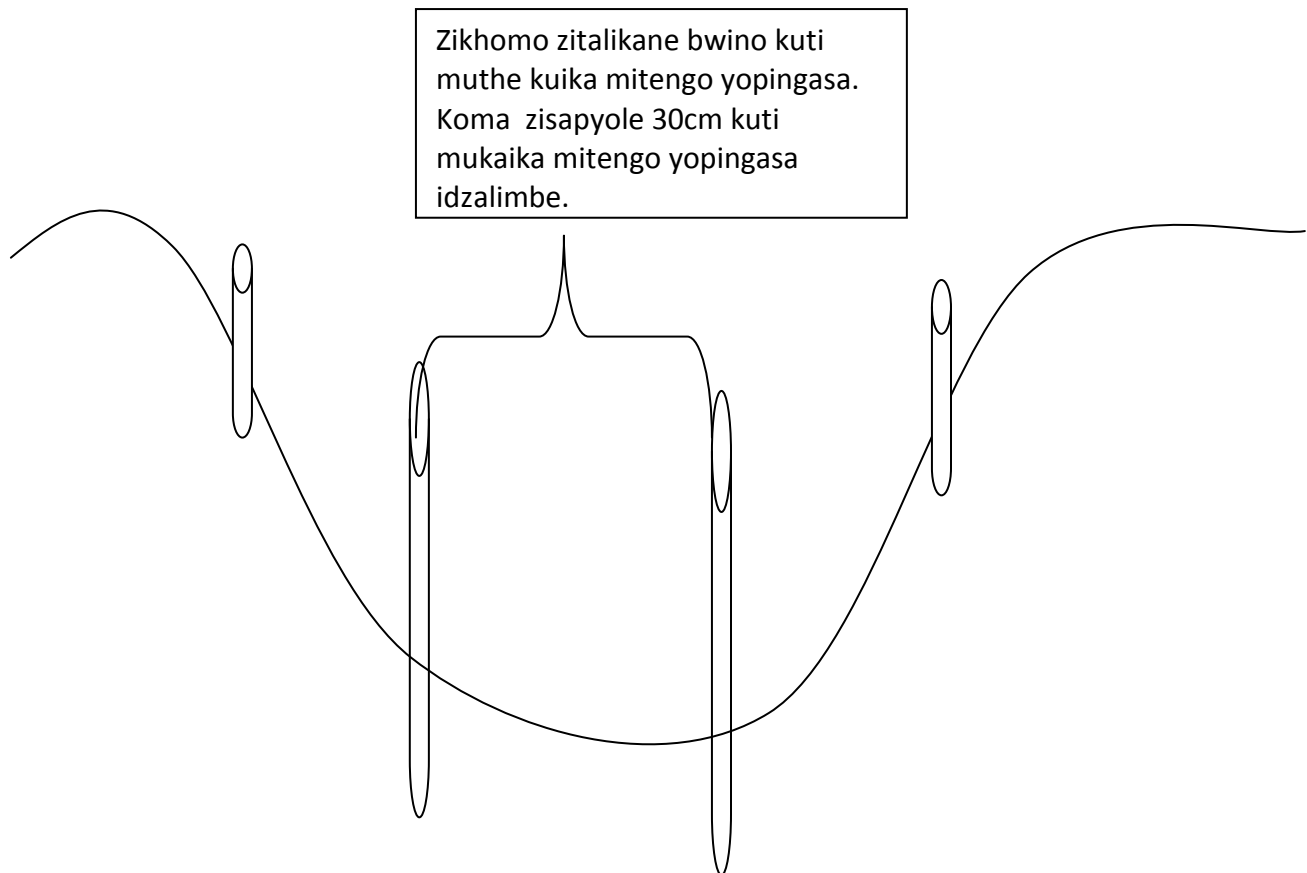
5.4 Tchinga la Mitengo

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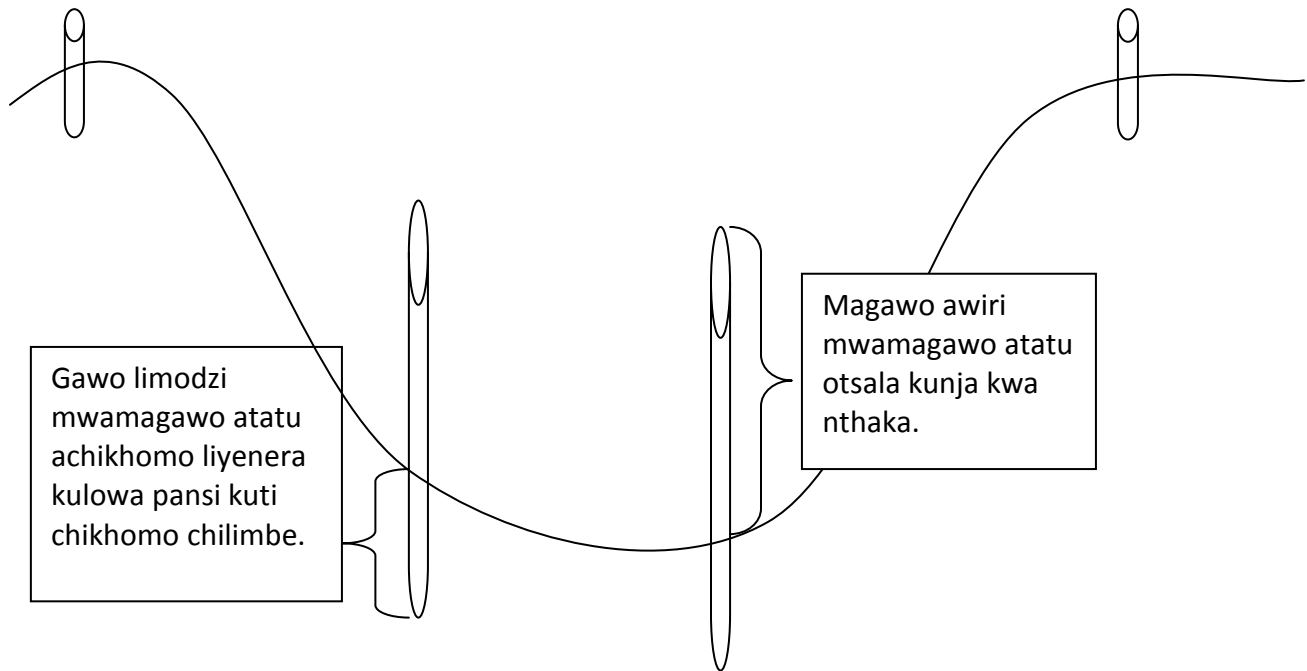
- Zikhomo.
- Mizengo (yamitengo kapeni nsungwi)
- Zingwe.
- Vetiva, nthochi ndi zomera zina zoyenera monga nsenjere.

5.6 Kamangidwe

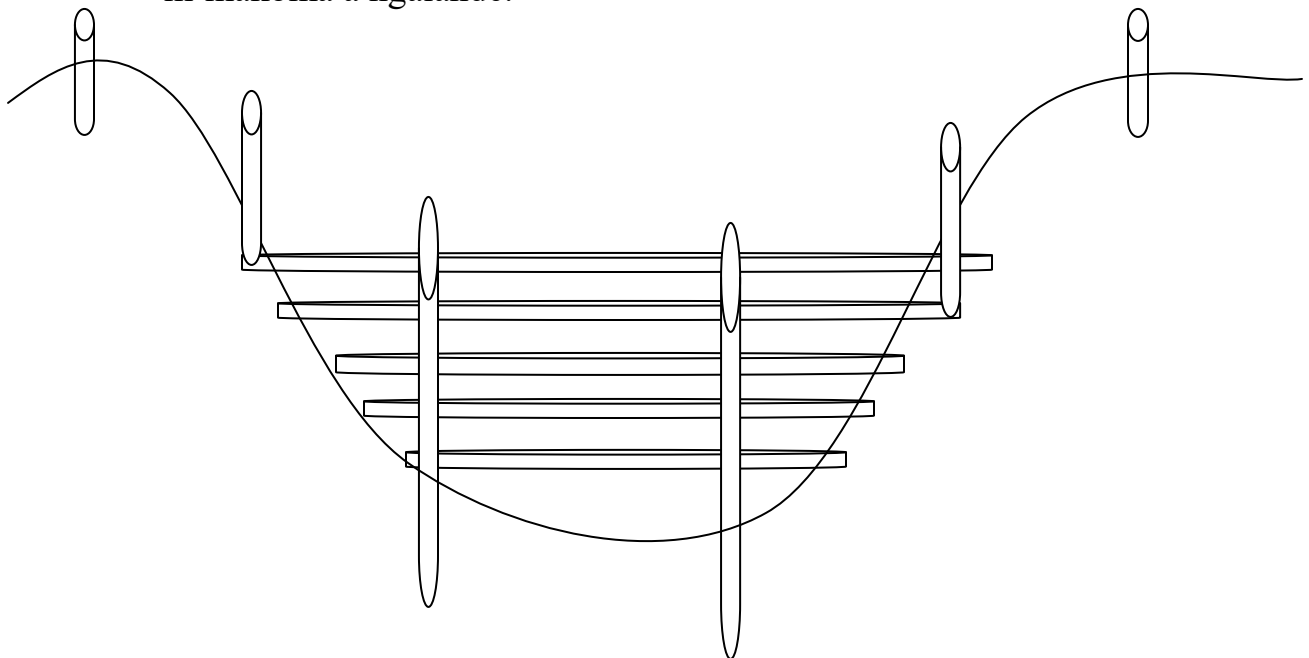
1. Zikani/khomani mitengo pansi pa ngalande mpakana kukhoma la ngalandeyo.



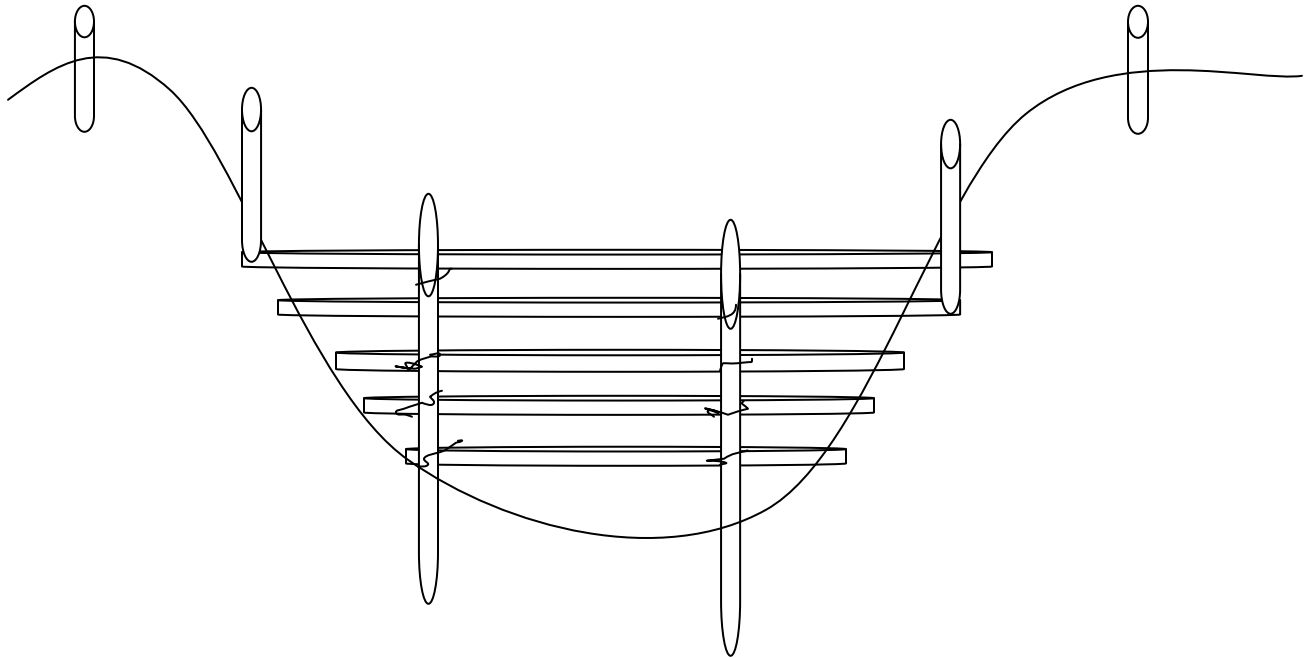
Kakhomedwe



2. Gonekani mitengo yopingasa kuchokera pansi pa ngalande mpaka m'makoma a ngalande.



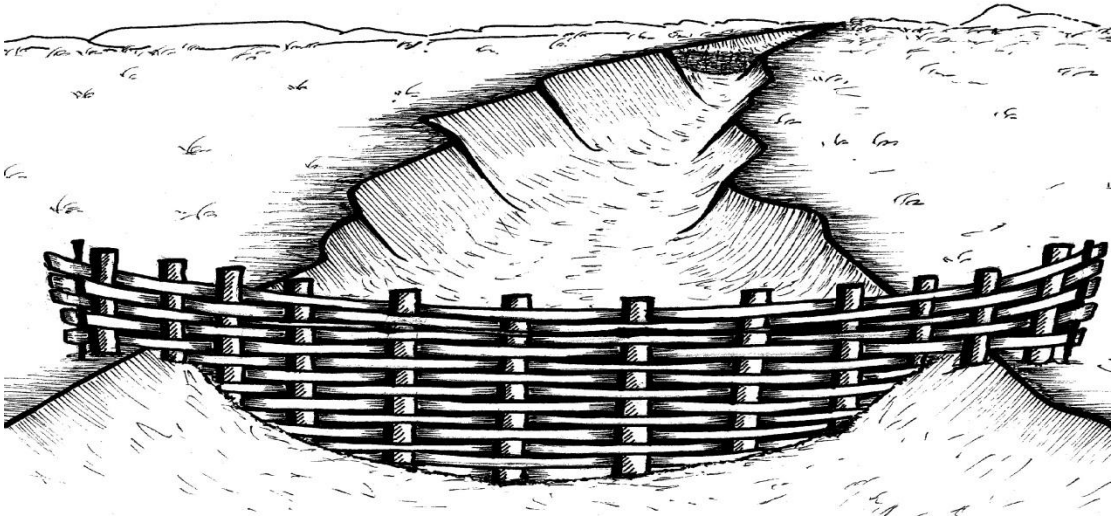
3. Khomani kapena mangani mitengo yopingasa kuzikhomo kuti ilimbe.



4. Njira yina, mukhoza kuluka mitengo yopingasa pakati pazikhomo kuyambira pansi mpaka pamwamba pa ngalande monga tilukira zokolera nsomba, nkhokwe kapena mabasiketi.



Source: Landcare Practice in Malawi 2002



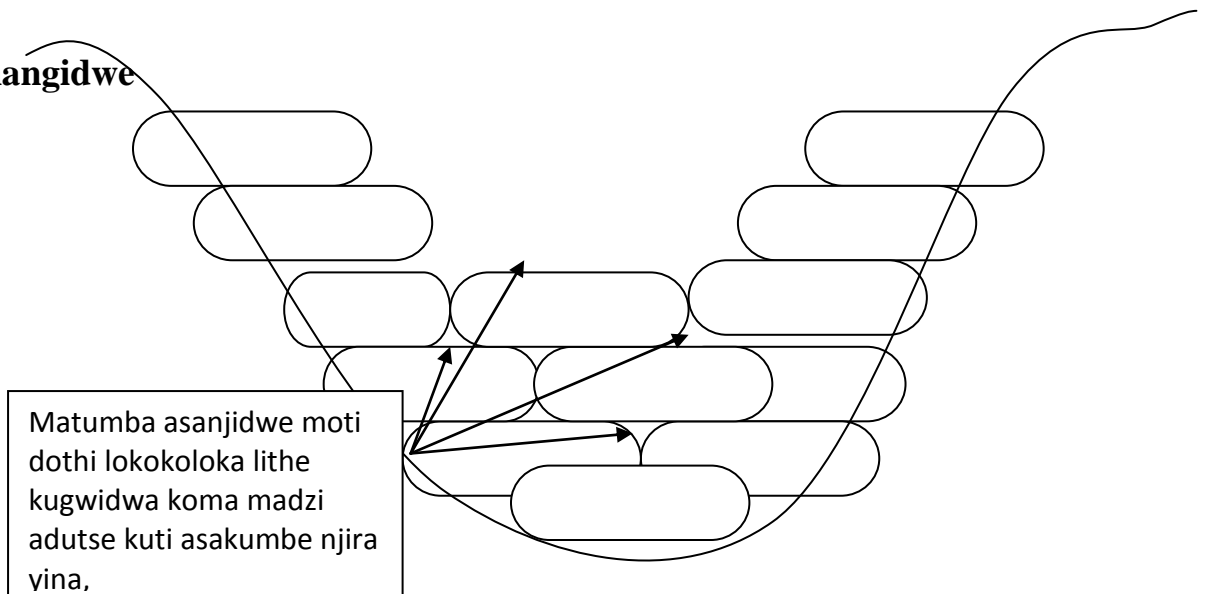
5.7 Tchinga la Matumba

Ndikupezeka kwa matumba, tikhonza kumanga matchinga a matumba a mchenga kapena dothi posanja matumbawa kuchokera pansi mpaka pamwamba komanso m'mbali mwa chigwembe. ***Dziwani kuti iyi ndinjira yapangozi chifukwa zipangizo zogwiritsidwa ntchito sizichedwa kowola.***

5.8 Zipangizo zofunika

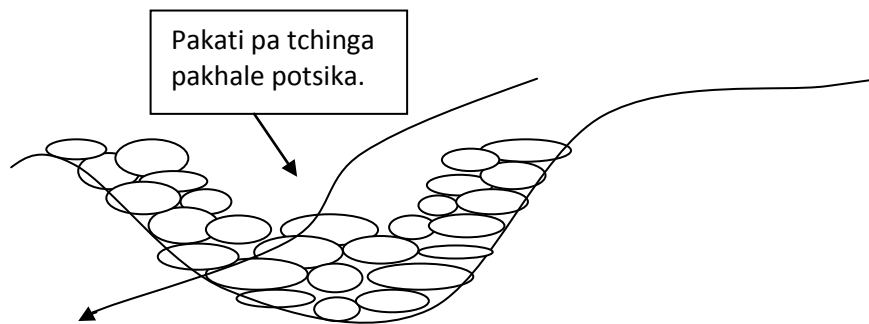
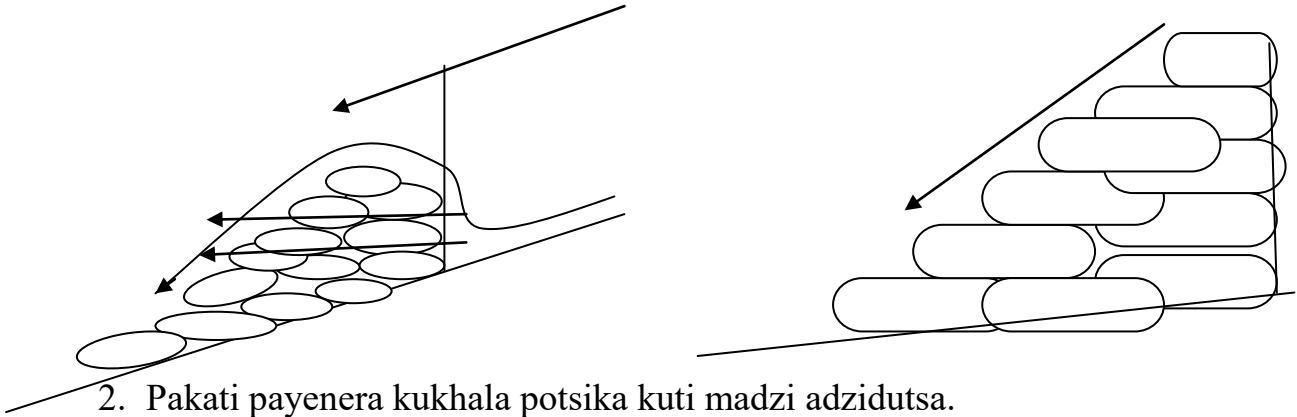
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- Mchenga .
- Makasu.
- Vetiva, nthochi ndi zomera zina zoyenera monga nsenjere.

5.9 Kamangidwe

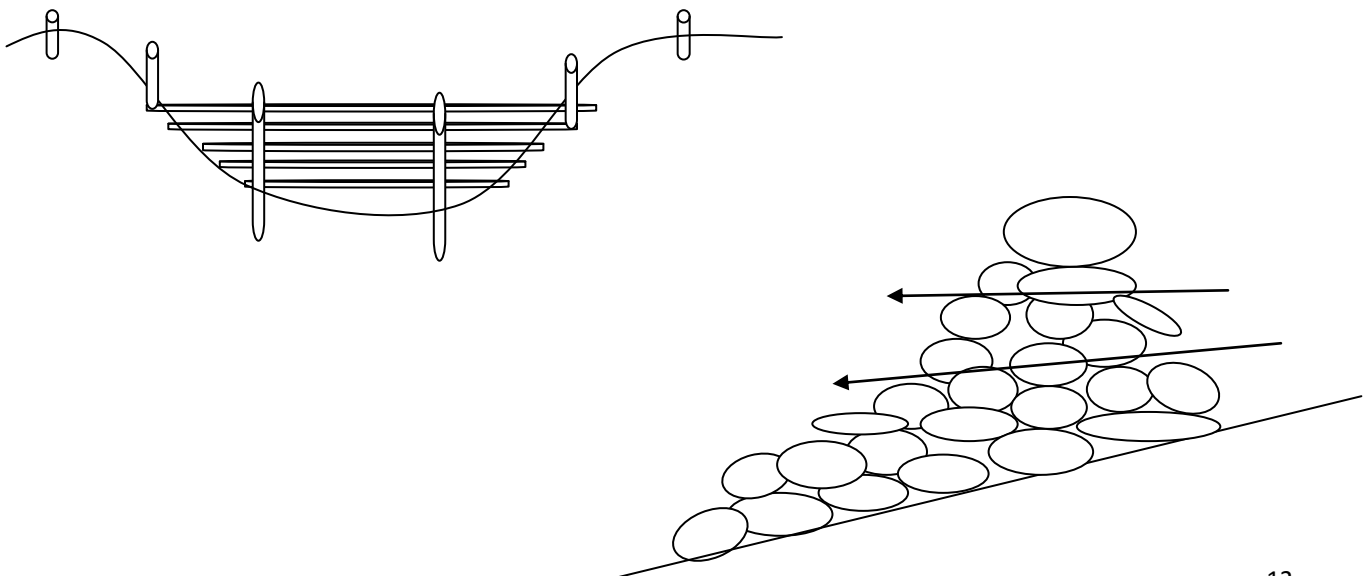


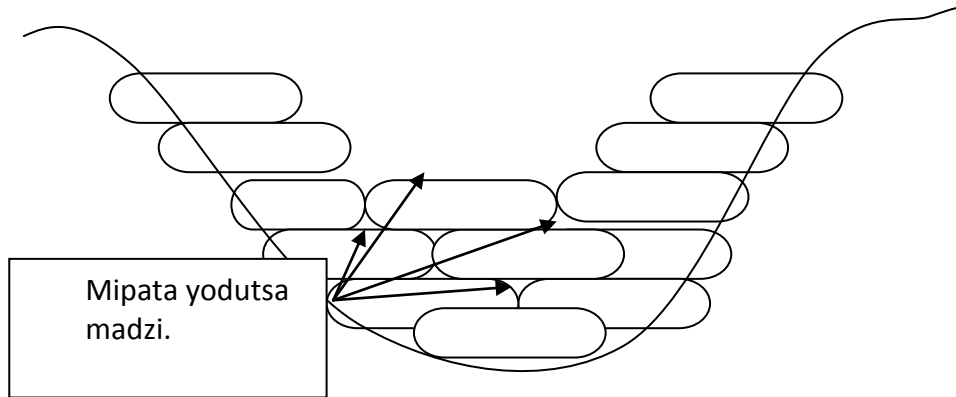
6.0 KUMBUKIRANI IZI

1. Miyala kapena Matumba ziyalidwe motsetserekera mbali yolowera madzi kuti madzi odutsa ayende pang'ono-pang'ono.

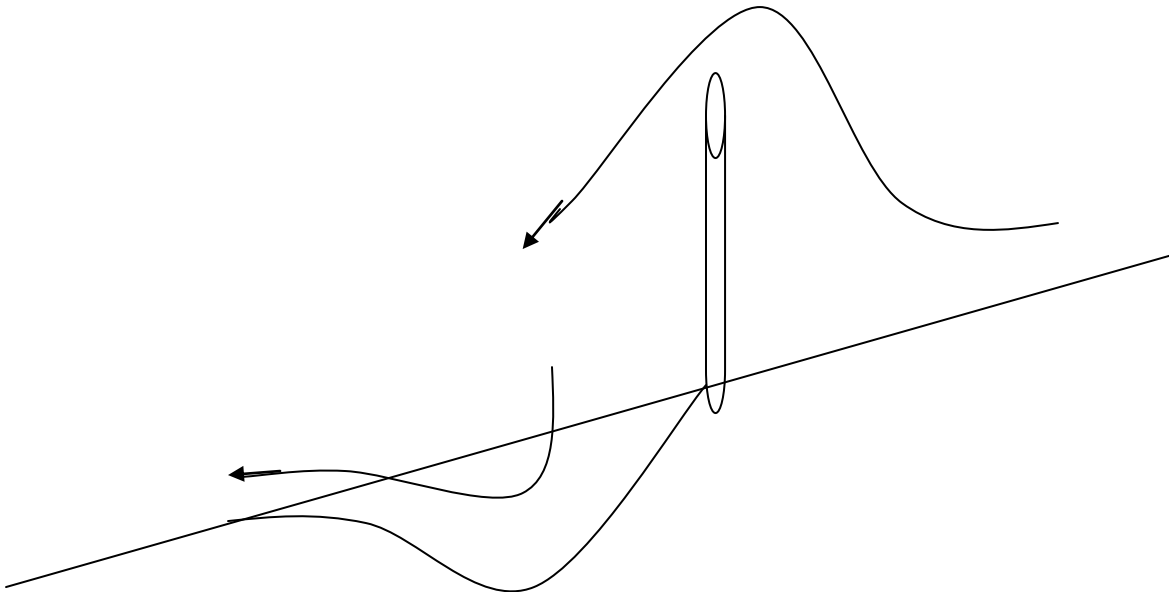


3. Mizengo, miyala, kapena matumba ziyikidwe moti madzi athe kudutsa.

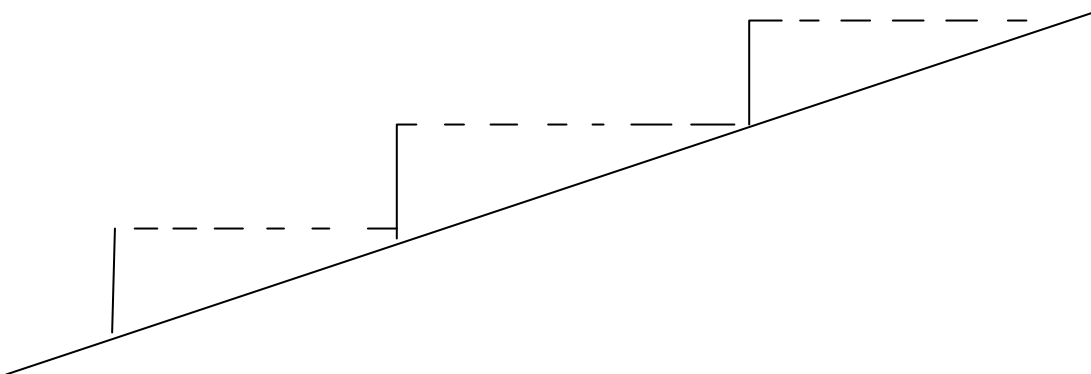


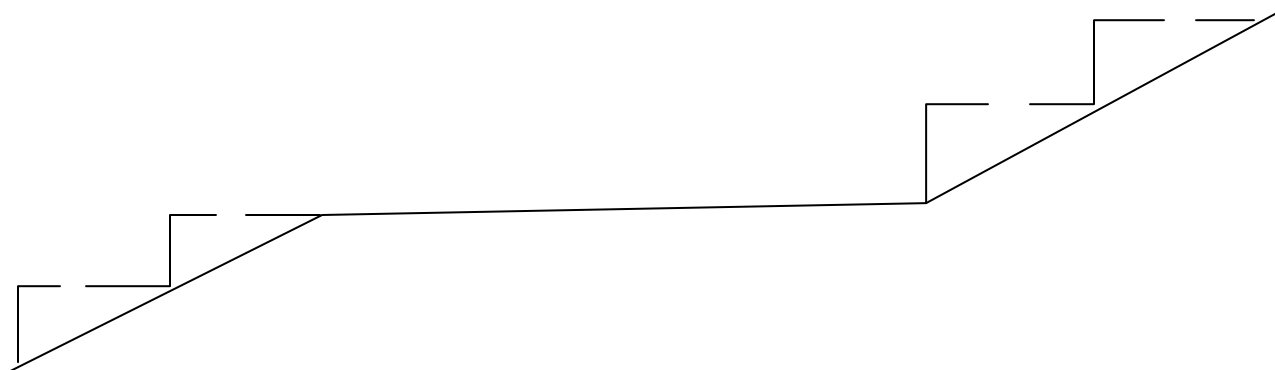


4. Pewani kotalikitsa kwambiri tchinga kupewa madzi odutsa pamwamba kuti angakumbe kutsogolo kwa tchinga lanu.



5. Matchinga iyikidwe molingana ndikukula kwa matsitso (monga 5m kapeni 10m kuchoka pa tchinga loyamba kukafika patchinga linzake)





7.0 Zomera zotchinga madzi

Udzu wa vetiva ndi mitengo zizibzalidwa ngati zitsamba zotchinga madzi m'chigwembe kuti zichepetse kuthamanga kwa madzi. Izi zimakolanso zinyalala ndi manyowa zomwe zimathandiza zomerazo.

7.1 Kubzala udzu wa vetiva

- Pangani tchinga la mitengo kapena miyala m'chigwembe (onani gawo la phunziro la kupanga matchinga).
- Bzalani udzu wa vetiva {10cm kuchokera paphando lililonse (mbande zisanu kapeni khumi paphando)} mopingasa mulifupi mwa chigwembe ndi pamwamba pa tchinga kuti mugwiritse ntchito dothi lotsalira. Bzalani vetivayo potengera kutsetsereka kwa chigwembe (mwachitsanzo, mamita asanu mpaka khumi (5-10m) kuyambira kumtunda kwa chigwembe). Bzalani ndi mvula yoyamba kuti zimere mwamsanga.
- Dulirani udzu pafupipafupi kuti uziphukira komanso kukula msanga. Udzu umamera ngati tchinga ndi lokhazikika.



8.0 Kukwezera njira za m'malire

Njira za malire a munda zimathandizira kukokoloka kwa nthaka ndi kupangitsa zigwembe. Kukwezera njira za malirewa kumachepetsa kuthamanga kwa madzi ndi kukokoloka kwa nthaka. Njirayi ndiyoyenera m'munda omwe munachita akalozera kapena omwe mulibe akalozera.

8.1 Ndongomeko zokwezera njira za malire a munda

- Ikani zizindikiro m'malo momwe muli njira ndi malire pogwiritsa ntchito zikhomo kuyambira kumtunda mpaka kumusi.
- Konzani njira yotalika mamita asanu (5m) mulitali mu mzere womwe waikidwa zikhomo pamwamba kupitirira mizere yomwe mwabzalapo mbewu. Pangani izi pokumba dothi kuchokera m'mikwasa koma osakumba kwambiri kuti mupangike zigwembe.
- Kwezerani njira ndi malire pofuna kuchepetsa njira zina zodutsa madzi.

9.0 Kasamalidwe ka nthaka ya m'mphepete mwa mtsinje

Nthaka ya m'mphepete mwa mtsinje ndi imodzi mwa nthaka yomwe imaonongeka kwambiri m'dziko muno. Malowa akhala akulimidwa kwa nthawi yaitali chifukwa cha nthaka ya chonde yomwe imabwera ndi madzi osefukira. Ngakhale izi zili chonchi, nthaka ya m'mphepete mwa mtsinje ndi yosagwirana kwenikweni kotero ndikosavuta kuti nthakayi iwonongeke. Kuteteza malowa ndi kofunika kwambiri kuti mayendedwe a madzi asathamange ndiponso kuchepetsa vuto la kusefukira kwa madzi, kuwunjikana kwa mchenga, kukwiririka kwa nthaka ndi kusowa kwa malo olima.

9.1 Kuteteza nthaka ya m'mphepete mwa mtsinje

Kuteteza ndi njira yokhayo yodalirika yotetezera nthaka ya m'mphepete mwa mtsinje. Malo a m'mphepete mwa mtsinje sayenera kulimidwa koma azisiyidwa kuti pazimera za chilengedwe zomwe zimateteza nthakayi kusiyanana ndi njira zina zotetezera nthaka zochita kupanga monga udzu, mitengo yodzalidwa ndi zinthu zina zomwe zili zoyenera kubzala m'malo amene zomera zalambulidwa pazifukwa za ulimi kapena zifukwa zina.

9.2 Njira zobzalira zomera m'mbali mwa mtsinje zili motere:

- Gawani timikwasa m'mphepete mwa mitsinje mikwasayo itenge pafupi-fupi mamita asanu (5m) mulifupi mbali zonse m'madambo ang'ono-ang'ono komanso mamita khumi mpaka makumi awiri (10-20m) m'mitsinje.
- **Kubzala udzu:** Bzalani udzu wa vetiva, nsenjere kapena nsungwi mbali zonse ziwiri za mtsinje. Udzu wa vetiva ukhonza kubzalidwa m'mizere m'mbali mwa mtsinje pa mpata wa mamita 0.45 mulitali ndi 0.45 mulifupi (0.45m x 0.45m). Nsenjere zibzalidwe pa mpata wa 0.2 mulitali ndi 0.2 mulifupi (0.2m x 0.2m) ndipo nsungwi ziyenera kubzalidwa pa mpata wa mita imodzi mulitali ndi mita imodzi mulifupi (1m x 1m).
- **Kubzala zitsamba:** Deliya ndi chimodzi mwa chitsamba chovomerezeka kubzalidwa pa mpata wa mamita 0.45 mulitali ndi 0.45 mulifupi (0.45m x 0.45m).
- **Kubzala mitengo:** Pali mitundu ya mitengo yambiri yovomerezeka yomwe ikhoza kubzalidwa mu mizere pa mulingo wa mamita awiri mbali zonse (2mx2m). Ina mwa mitengoyi ndi mthethe, mkunkhu, mingazolo, msangu, kachere, nkuyu, kankhande, mbawa, katope, nsikidzi ndi masawu.

Werengani ku gawo la zowonjezera



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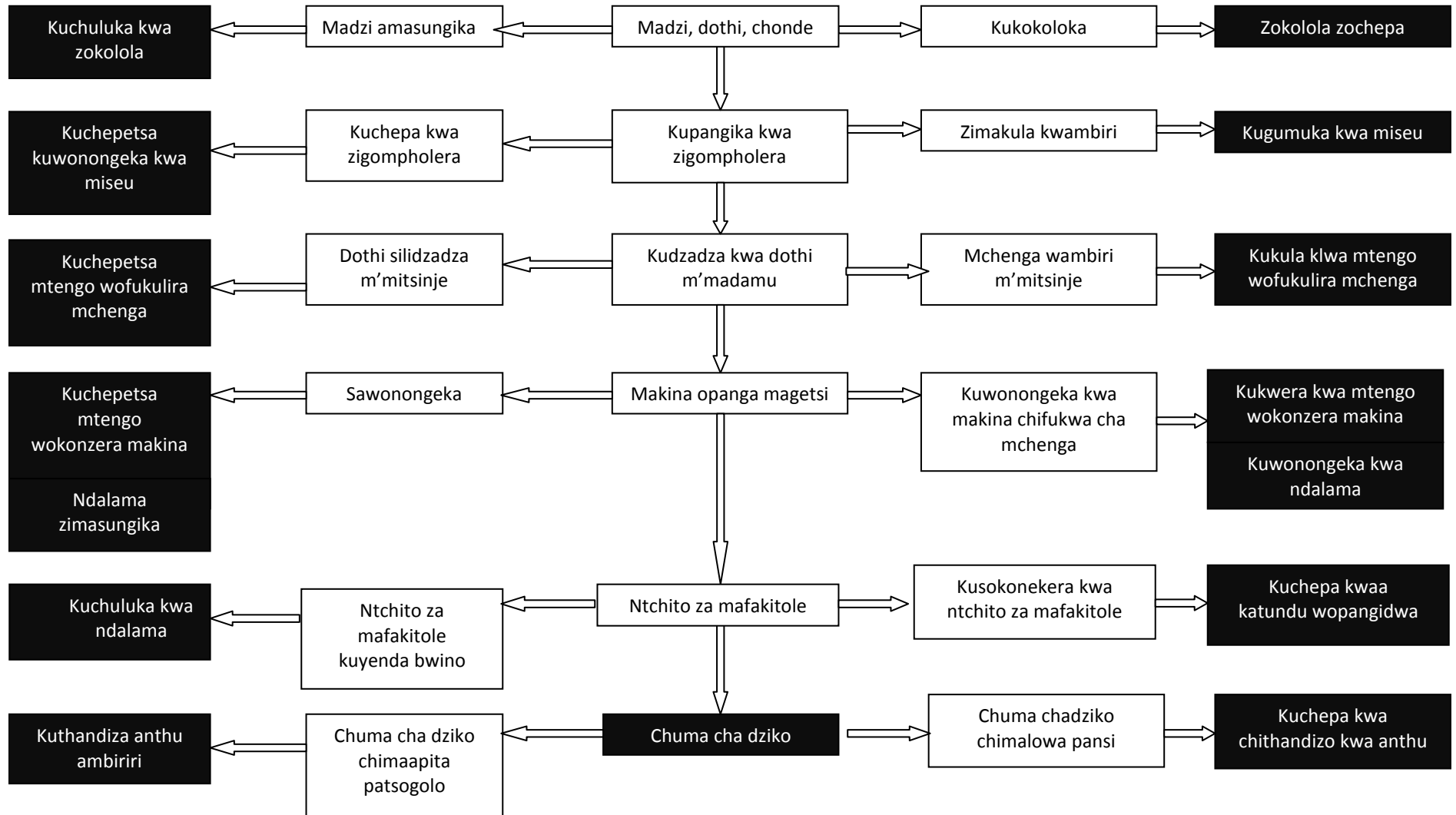
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質問票調査報告書**

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COVAMS	Community Vitalization and Afforestation in Middle Shire	シレ川中流域における村落振興・森林復旧プロジェクト
LF	Lead Farmer	リードファーマー
SLF	Senior Lead Farmer	シニアリードファーマー
TST	Technical Support Team	技術支援チーム

I. 報告書の要約

COVAMS アプローチの有効性を分析することを目的とし、世帯別の質問票調査を実施した（以下、本調査）。調査世帯の選定には、プロジェクトが対象とするマラウイ国ブランタイヤ県、バラカ県、ムワンザ県、ネノ県の4県 35,000 世帯から多段抽出法を用い、760 世帯（統計的に有意な規模）を抽出した。調査対象者には主に、3 種の技術（育林、土壌保全、ガリコントロール）の 2013 年度から 2015 年度の3年間の年度別の実践率と実践状況を質問票に基づき尋ねた。

本調査で使用した質問票は、当案件で 2014 年に実施された全戸質問票調査の質問をもとに、カウンターパートと協議して作成した。調査に先立ち、各県および調査対象村でのオリエンテーション¹、調査対象地から外れたプロジェクト対象村でのプリテストを実施した。本調査は 2016 年 6 月 20 日から 7 月 22 日まで、日本人専門家の監督のもと 4 名の調査員によって実施された。

調査結果の要約は以下のとおりである。

- ① COVAMS アプローチで導入した 3 種の技術とリードファーマー (LF) の認知度について、対象 村のほぼすべての世帯 (99%以上) により認知されている。
- ② 3 種の技術研修の参加率は、総じて 1 年目から 80%を超え、2 年目には 90%を超えている。
- ③ 3 種の技術研修ともに、住民はグループ単位で研修に参加、または LF やシニアリードファーマー (SLF) によりグループ単位で研修が実施されている。
- ④ 技術の実践率は、3 種の技術において 1 年目で 50%を超えている。特に土壌保全技術とチェックダムの設置はプロジェクト開始前には 1~2 割であったが、プロジェクト開始 1 年目に 7~8 割の実践率を達成し、顕著なる増加がみられる。イノベーター理論²に基づきプロジェクトが目標とした「普及率 50%」を、3 種の技術の実践率において 1 年という短期間で達成している。

次に、各技術の実践状況を要約する。

- ⑤ 育林技術では、苗木生産・植林の実践率はプロジェクト開始後 1 年目で 8 割を超える。世帯単位での苗木生産の実践率は 3 年間で 50%を超えることはなく、LF や SLF による研修はグループ単位での苗木生産の実践率に対して、より強く影響した。2 年間の 1 世帯当たりの苗木生産合計本数は 67 本、プロジェクト対象 35,000 世帯の推計値は 233 万本であった。2 年間の 1 世帯当たりの植林合計本数は 103 本、プロジェクト対象 35,000 世帯の推計値は 362 万本であった。
- ⑥ 土壌保全技術では、等高線農法の 4 つの技術のいずれかを実践している世帯は、プロジェクト開始後 2 年目に 9 割を超えるが、4 つそれぞれの技術の年度ごとの実践率は 2~3 割にとどまる。このことから技術の採用を少しずつ増やしていく傾向が見られた。2 年間の 1 世帯当たりの等高線農法の適応面積合計は 1.5 エーカー (0.6 ヘクタール)、プロジェクト対象 35,000 世帯の推計値は 5.4 万エーカー (約 2.2 万ヘクタール) であった。

¹ 県でのオリエンテーションは日本人専門家によって、村でのオリエンテーションは村長とシニアリードファーマーによって開催された。

² 社会学者であるエベレット・M・ロジャースが提唱した、イノベーションの普及に関する理論。アイデアが普及・拡散する過程の採用者を 5 つのグループに分類した。各グループは採用順に①イノベーター全体の 2.5%を構成 (Innovators : 革新者)、②アーリーアダプター 13.5% (Early Adopters : 初期採用者)、③アーリーマジョリティ 34.0% (Early Majority : 前期追随者)、④レイトマジョリティ 34.0% (Late Majority : 後期追随者)、⑤ラガード 16.0% (Laggards : 遅滞者)。

- ⑦ ガリコントロール技術では、チェックダムの設置率がプロジェクト開始後 1 年で 7 割弱に達している。1 年間の 1 世帯当たりのチェックダム設置個数は 5 か所であった。2 年間の 1 世帯当たりのチェックダムの設置合計数は 7 か所、プロジェクト対象 35,000 世帯の推計値は 25.1 万か所であった。

以上の結果から、COVAMS アプローチは短期間で 3 種の技術の実践率を高め、住民による技術の実践の効果が高く、一定の有効性が認められる。

II. 調査の目的

本調査は、COVAMS アプローチが農民による流域保全活動の促進にどのように貢献しているかを確認し、その成果を測ることを目的とする。

III. 調査の方法

本調査は、本プロジェクトが対象とするブランタイヤ県、バラカ県、ムワンザ県、ネノ県の 4 県において、2016 年 6 月 20 日から 7 月 22 日まで、質問票調査を用いて実施した。対象村落数は 230 カ村、対象世帯はおよそ 35,000 世帯におよぶ。このため、調査日数、コスト（移動時間、移動手段、調査員雇用日数）を勘案し、対象村を抽出したうえで対象世帯を抽出する「多段抽出法」を採用した。その結果、38 カ村の各村で 20 世帯ずつをランダム抽出し、合計 760 世帯を質問票調査の対象とした。

I. 調査対象村

調査対象村の一覧を次の表 1 と表 2 に示す。

表 1：県別の調査対象村の数とプロジェクト開始年				
対象県	プロジェクト開始年			
	2013	2014	2015	合計
バラカ	1	4	2	7
ムワンザ	3	3	2	8
ネノ	2	6	0	8
ブランタイヤ	1	9	5	15
合計	7	22	9	38

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表 2：調査対象村落一覧

県名	村名	プロジェクト 開始年	全世帯数	調査対象 世帯数
バラカ	Masenjere	2013	74	20
	Bamusi	2014	92	20
	Kambadya	2014	214	20
	Mkweya	2014	91	20
	Thamangira	2014	63	20
	Kwalakwata	2015	59	20
	Sami	2015	109	20
	小計			140
ムワンザ	Chikoleka	2013	225	20
	Kawiliza	2013	463	20
	Tsegulani	2013	232	20
	Kam'phirimo	2014	132	20
	Machilika	2014	155	20
	Stampa	2014	45	20
	Faiti	2015	583	20
	Ng'onzo	2015	194	20
	小計			160
ネノ	Mulauli	2013	141	20
	Chikungulu	2013	260	20
	Chasesa	2014	259	20
	Mwamdaza	2014	207	20
	Magaleta	2014	255	20
	Dzomodya	2014	342	20
	July	2014	26	20
	Godeni	2014	358	20
	小計			160
ブランタイヤ	Chande	2013	210	20
	Jolodani	2014	332	20
	Nakhwala	2014	375	20
	Kutchiri	2014	326	20
	Malenga	2014	503	20
	Jamali	2014	893	20
	Mkumba 1	2014	771	20
	Bota	2014	321	20
	Pindani	2014	140	20
	Wiliamu	2014	91	20
	Ngwaya 1	2015	103	20
	Somba	2015	406	20
	Kayesa	2015	454	20
	M'dala	2015	653	20
	Chombo	2015	319	20
	小計			300
総計				760

2. 調査の準備

(1) 世帯リストの準備

対象世帯の母集団を求めるために、プロジェクトのリードファーマーが戸別訪問で村内の全ての世帯主の名前を聞き取り、作成した世帯リストを用いた。同リードファーマーは、本プロジェクトが活動の対象とする村で、約 15 世帯に 1 名の割合で住民によって選出される。このため、1 名のリードファーマーが作成する世帯リストには、通常 15 世帯の世帯主の名前が記載されている。プロジェクトはこのリストを集めデータ化し、プロジェクトが対象としている全世帯のリストを作成した。

(2) 母集団とサンプル数の決定³

母集団に対するサンプル数は以下の計算式を用いて算出した。

$$\text{サンプル数 } n = \frac{\text{推定の誤差の幅 (0.05)}}{1.96} * \frac{\frac{(\text{母集団})}{(\text{母集団}) - 1} + 1}{\text{母集団比率 (1 - 母集団)}}$$

この計算式における母集団に対応する最低サンプル数は以下の表に示される。

母集団	50	100	500	1,000	2,000	5,000	10,000	20,000	50,000	100,000	1,000,000
標本数	45	81	218	279	323	358	371	378	382	384	385

実施する質問票調査におけるサンプル数の検討にあたり、上表に示された単純ランダム抽出法で統計的に有効となる最低サンプルを算出した。加えて、多段抽出法を採用したことによるデザイン効果を考慮し、その効果係数を 2.0 と見積もった。単純ランダム抽出法でのサンプル数は 380 世帯でいどとなり、これにデザイン効果係数 2.0 を乗じると、760 世帯となる。このように多段抽出法によるデザイン効果や回答率に考慮し、最終サンプル数を 760 世帯と設定した。

(3) 対象村の選定

上述のとおり、760 世帯をサンプル数とし、1 村あたりのサンプル数は 20 世帯として配分した。最終的に、調査対象は 38 村、760 世帯とした。調査対象村の選定にあたっては、各地点が抽出される確率の大きさをその人口規模に比例させる「確率比例抽出法」を用い、世帯リストから世帯数に比例した確率で村を無作為に抽出した。世帯リストに記載された 228 村、33,518 世帯を分母として各村の世帯を割って得られる確率で対象村を選ぶことによって、世帯数が多い村ほど選ばれる確率が高くなる。このため、対象の抽出世帯が同じでも、村が選定される確率は世帯に比例するので、各世帯が最終的に抽出される確率は同じになる。選定した対象村を表 2 に示した。

(4) 調査対象候補世帯の抽出

上述の作業から選定された村の世帯リストから、乱数表を用いて 40 世帯をサンプル世帯として、ランダム抽出した。これは、必要とされるサンプル数である 20 世帯の倍にあたる 40 世帯を調査対象候補世帯とすることで、調査実施時に不在の世帯に備えるためである。同リスト上部の 20 世帯を優先世帯とし、リスト下部の 20 世帯を補完世帯とした。

(5) 調査員の配置

質問票調査の調査員として、首都リロングウエより 4 名の調査員を雇用した。全ての調査期間において、この 4 名が質問票調査とデータ入力を担当し、日本人専門家 1 名がその作業を監理した。日本人専門家は可能な限り現場の調査に同行し、進捗と品質の維持管理に努めた。

³ 参考文献：(1999)「農村社会調査手法の研究報告書（理論編）」, p.38, 国際協力事業団 農林水産開発調査部。

(6) 調査オリエンテーションの実施

質問票調査の実施に先立ち、対象村の村長、シニアリードファーマー（SLF）⁴、CCO（Conservation Coordination Officer：普及員）を対象に、日本人専門家によるオリエンテーションを開催した。このオリエンテーションには県森林局局长と TST（Technical Support Team：技術支援チーム）1 名も参加した。

ブランタイヤ県では 2 グループに分け 2 日間、その他の 3 県では各県 1 日のオリエンテーションを実施した。この際に、上述の作業により作成した調査対象候補世帯リストを配布し、調査の目的、実施方法、調査日時と場所を決定した。また SLF と村長が、村で同リスト記載の世帯を対象にオリエンテーションを実施し、調査目的や調査日時を事前に連絡し、確認してもらうようにした。また、このオリエンテーションに用いる資料を配布した。

(7) プリテストの実施

質問票調査を実施する前に、調査員に質問票調査の方法を説明するとともに、質問票に用いられる語句の共通理解を得るよう努めた。その後、プロジェクト対象村ではあるが、本調査の対象村ではないブランタイヤ県の一村落でプリテストを実施した。プリテストの目的は、調査票の不備のチェック、各調査員が質問票調査に慣れることと、質問や回答の選択肢に使用されている語句の共通理解を深めること、より実態に即した質問や回答の選択肢に改善するなど質問や回答の修正、である。

3. 質問票調査の実施

調査員は、対象村の指定された場所に赴き、村長と SLF が集めたリスト上の 20 世帯に対し、質問票（添付資料 1）に基づいて個別に聞き取りを実施する面接調査法を採用した。世帯主が不在の場合は、同一世帯内の構成員（子供を除く）への聞き取りを認めた。質問票調査の結果、38 村の 760 世帯から回答を得た。

4. 質問票における年度区分

質問票調査の年度区分は調査対象村のプロジェクト開始年に従って決定した。例えば 2013 年よりプロジェクトによる研修が実施された村では、2013 年度、2014 年度、2015 年度の 3 年間を調査対象期間として、質問票に基づき調査をした。

2013 年度は、リードファーマー（LF）が住民への研修を開始した 2013 年 7 月から、メイズの収穫が終了した 2014 年 6 月までと定義する。メイズの栽培は雨期の始まりによって前後するが、10 月～11 月に播種を開始し、翌年 5～6 月に収穫する。本プロジェクトは耕作期に合わせ、リードファーマーが適切な時期に住民へ研修を実施できるよう、LF の選定と育成（LF に対する研修）を 6 月頃から実施し、リードファーマーは住民への研修を 8 月頃から開始する。

⁴ リードファーマーを 1 年間経験した者から選出され、リードファーマーの管理、監督を担当し、CCO（普及員）の補佐的な役割を担う。1 村 1 名のシニアリードファーマーの配置が基本であるが、人口規模や面積の大きな村は 2～4 名のシニアリードファーマーが配置される場合もある。

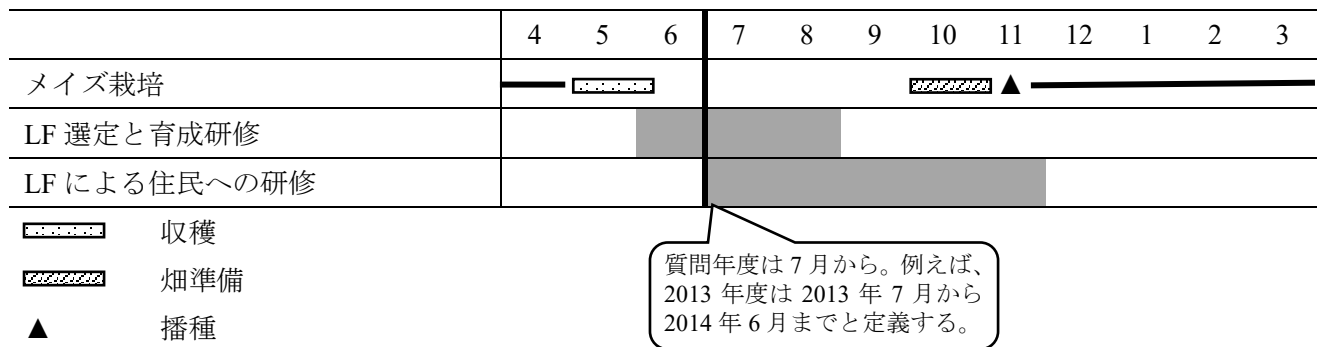


図1：メイズの栽培暦と調査対象期間決定に考慮した COVAMS の活動

IV. 調査の限界

(1) 外部因子に係る情報の制限

時間と費用の制約から、質問票調査は技術の実践に関する質問を中心としたため、社会的身分や他援助機関の介入などの外部要因に係る情報に制限がある。質問票調査でえられた情報（世帯構成員数、民族、識字・非識字、教育年数など）を変数として扱うには、変数を割り出す要因が限られる。

(2) 経年変化のサンプルの代表性

本調査報告書では、年度別と経過年数別にデータを分析している。対象村へのプロジェクト開始後の経過年数（1、2、3年目）のそれぞれのサンプルに、顕著な差異がないことを確認した。しかし先述のとおり、限られた情報（世帯構成員数、民族、識字・非識字、教育年数）のみにおいて、95%の信頼区間において統計的な差異がないことを確認するにとどまった。

(3) リコールバイアスの度合

本調査の質問では、年度別の技術の実践状況の確認のため同じ質問が繰り返される傾向が高い。このリコールバイアスを低くするため、最近の実践から過去の実践へ、つまり2015年年度、2014年度、2013年度、プロジェクト実施前の順に質問票を構成した。しかし、質問票の回答者が自分をよく見せようとして、リコール質問には実際と異なる回答をする傾向があれば、年毎の変化を説明する主要因が、リコール回答割合の変化に帰属されてしまう恐れがある。この度合は通常調査できるものではないため、本報告書ではリコールバイアスの変数をとらずに、分析する。

(4) 設問と回答の意図の相違

本調査は、質問票に従って調査員が調査対象者へ質問し、回答を調査員が記入する面接調査法を採用した。この手法は、類似の調査において一般的に使用されており、調査員が口頭で質問を説明するため、質問の誤解が起こりにくい、記入漏れが起こりにくい、複雑な質問が可能であるという利点が挙げられる一方で、調査員と対象者の理解が異なる場合がある。例えば、回答者が意図的に便益を過大または過少に評価する戦略的バイアス、回答者が調査員を喜ばせようとし

て意図的に良い数値を答える追従バイアスなどが挙げられる。質問票調査の前にプリテストを実施し、質問の順番や現状に即した選択肢の選定など質問文や回答選択肢を慎重に検討するとともに、質問票調査を始める挨拶の時点で調査の重要性を強調しありのままの回答が必要であることを説明、質問中には各質問の意図を調査員から回答者に十分に説明するように努めた。しかし、このようなバイアスをゼロとすることは、質問票調査では通常難しい。

V. 調査結果と分析

本調査報告書では、年度別と経過年数別にデータを分析した。まず年度による技術の実践状況を分析し、全体の傾向を把握する。年度により実践率に顕著な違いがみられた場合、降水量などの外部要因があると想定されたためである。さらに、調査対象村ごとにプロジェクトの介入年数が異なるため、経過年数別変化を分析する。経過年数変化分析にあたり、世帯構成員数、民族、識字・非識字、教育年数において、年度ごとのサンプルに顕著な差異がないことを確認し、分析を進めた。

1. 調査世帯の基礎情報

(1) 調査対象の民族構成

調査対象世帯の民族比を図2に示す。有効回答数759世帯のうち、ンゴニ族が39.5%（300世帯）と最も多く、ついでチェワ族26.0%（197世帯）、ヤオ族15.2%（115世帯）、ロンウェ族14.1%（107世帯）、マンガンジャ族2.5%（19世帯）となっている。少数回答として、セナ族、ベンバ族、チャワ族、ンセナ族、ニャンガ族、ニュングウェ族が含まれる。

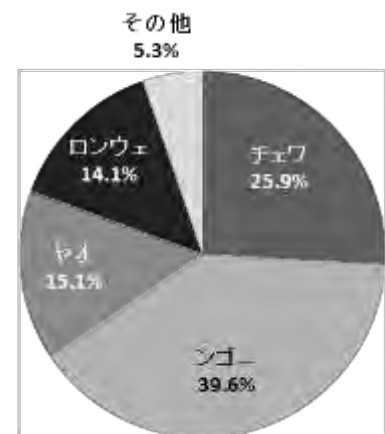


図2：調査対象の世帯主の民族比

(2) 対象世帯の社会的立場

世帯主の男女比では男性77.4%、女性22.6%となり、男性の世帯主が多い。回答者の平均年齢は43歳（中央値40）、1世帯あたりの構成員数は平均5.5名（中央値5）であった。

回答者が含まれる世帯の構成員に村長やリードファーマー（LF）などが含まれるかを問う社会的身分に関する質問（複数回答可）では、総回答数760世帯のうち、2.4%（18世帯）は村長またはグループ村長を含み、5.2%（41世帯）は農業省または本プロジェクトのLFもしくはSLFを含む。残る92.3%（703世帯）はそれらの立場にある構成員を含まない世帯である（表3）。SLFまたはLFと回答した世帯のうち、本プロジェクトのSLFは1名（1名のうち）、LFは36名（40名のうち）であった。

表 3：調査対象の世帯主の社会的立場

	グループ 村長	村長	SLF	LF	その他	合計
回答数	5	13	1	40	702	761
割合	0.7%	1.7%	0.1%	5.1%	92.4%	100.0%

(3) 世帯主の識字率

総回答者 760 名のうち、主要言語であるチェワ語のみを解する世帯主は 57.9% (586 世帯) であり、チェワ語と英語の両言語を解する世帯主は 33.2% (252 世帯) を占めた。また、非識字世帯主の割合は、17.0% (172 名) である。

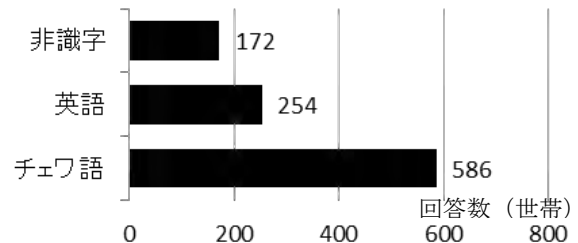


図 3：調査対象世帯の識字率

(4) 対象世帯の生業

対象世帯の主要な経済活動を複数回答で調査したところ、全回答 760 世帯のうち、農業が主な収入源となっている世帯が 55.3% (521 世帯)、商業 24.1% (227 世帯)、賃金労働 (農繁期など不定期な畑仕事の手伝いで賃金を得る) 14.3% (135 世帯) となっている。約半数の世帯の主要収入源が農業であることは想像に難くないが、商業を主要な収入源とする世帯が 4 軒に 1 軒の割合であることは、本調査でのひとつの発見であった。

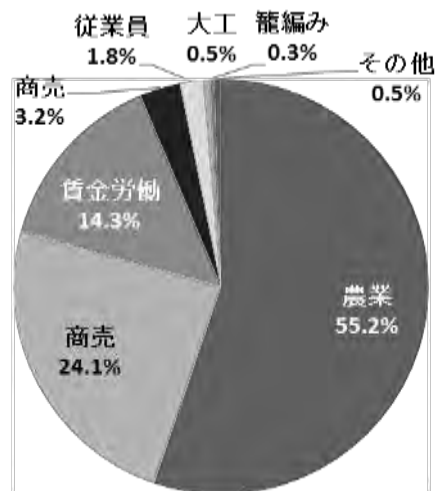


図 4：調査対象世帯の主な収入源

2. COVAMS アプローチにかかる技術の認知度**(1) 技術の認知度**

始めに COVAMS プロジェクトを知っているか質問し、知っているとして回答した 99.5% (755 世帯) に対して、技術の認知度を確認した。表 4 のとおりプロジェクト対象 4 県ごとに認知度を分析したところ、全ての県において技術は高く認知されている。また知っている技術の数を分析したところ、育林、土壌保全、ガリコントロールの 3 種の技術を知っていると回答した世帯は 99.5% (753 世帯) で圧倒的に多い。COVAMS アプローチで導入した 3 種の技術は、対象村のほぼすべての世帯により認知されている。

表 4：COVAMS アプローチで導入された技術の認知度

		育林	土壌保全	ガリコントロール	その他
バラカ	回答数 (割合)	140 (100.0%)	140 (100.0%)	139 (99.3%)	1 (0.7%)

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ムワンザ	回答数	160	160	160	0
	(割合)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100%)	(0.0%)
ネノ	回答数	157	159	158	0
	(割合)	(98.7%)	(100.0%)	(99.4%)	(0.0%)
ブランタイヤ	回答数	296	296	296	0
	(割合)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(0.0%)
合計回答数		753	755	753	1
(割合)		(99.7%)	(100.0%)	(99.7%)	(0.1%)

(2) リードファーマーの認知度

自身の Limana⁵で活動している COVAMS の LF の認知度を確認したところ、知っていると回答した世帯は、有効回答数 754 世帯の 99.7% (752 世帯) であった。質問表で COVAMS の LF と明記した理由は、対象とする同一村内に、COVAMS の LF とともに、農業省が各村に 1 名または技術課題ごとに複数名任命する LF や、NGO が任命する LF が混在するためである。県別にみると、バラカ県 100.0% (140 世帯)、ムワンザ県 99.4% (158 世帯)、ネノ県 99.4% (158 世帯)、ブランタイヤ県 100.0% (295 世帯) だった。本プロジェクトの対象村において、COVAMS の LF はほぼすべての村人に認知される存在となっている。

3. 研修の実施と参加の状況

(1) リードファーマーによる研修の実施状況

LF または SLF が含まれる世帯を対象に、彼らが 3 種の技術研修を実施したかどうかを実施年度別に確認した。例えば、本プロジェクトが 2013 年から当該村で研修を開始し、その年に住民によって COVAMS の LF として選出された場合は、2013 年度、2014 年度、2015 年度の各研修時期に彼らが研修を実施したかを質問した。

LF と SLF からの合計回答数は 92 世帯であり、その内訳は 2013 年度 4 世帯、2014 年度 38 世帯、2015 年度 50 世帯だった。その結果、2013 年度、2014 年度、2015 年度の全ての年度で育林、土壌保全、ガリコントロールの 3 研修を 100%実施しているとの回答を得た。

実施された研修の内容を把握するために、その研修が個人（もしくは単独世帯）を対象に実施されたものか、グループ（複数の参加者を集めて実施する形態）を対象に実施されたものか、その両方かを確認した。その結果を技術別、年度別にまとめたものが表 5 である。3 種の技術ともに、ほとんどの LF と SLF がグループを対象に研修を実施していることが判明した。COVAMS アプローチにおいては、LF 育成研修の際に、複数名を対象に研修を実施することように CCO から LF に伝えており、これが LF により正しく理解されているためと考えられる。また個人対象の研修は、育林研修で実施されておらず、ガリコントロール研修で 5.6% (90 サンプルのうちの 5 件) の LF が実施していた。

⁵ 同族集団の単位。本プロジェクトでは Limana を研修単位として 1 名のリードファーマーを選出しており、Limana は平均的に 15 世帯ほどの大きさであると報告されている。

表 5：年度別の技術別の研修方法

	育林			土壌保全			ガリコントロール		
	個人	グループ	両方	個人	グループ	両方	個人	グループ	両方
2013 年度	0 0.0%	3 75.0%	1 25.0%	0 0.0%	3 75.0%	1 25.0%	1 25.0%	1 25.0%	2 50.0%
2014 年度	0 0.0%	29 78.4%	8 21.6%	1 2.7%	27 73.0%	9 24.3%	2 5.4%	24 64.9%	11 29.7%
2015 年度	0 0.0%	37 75.5%	12 24.5%	1 2.0%	35 71.4%	13 26.5%	2 4.1%	32 65.3%	15 30.6%
合計回答数 割合	0 0.0%	69 76.7%	21 23.3%	2 2.2%	65 72.2%	23 25.6%	5 5.6%	57 63.3%	28 31.1%

(2) 研修の参加状況

構成員に LF または SLF がいない世帯を対象として、3 種の研修への参加率を年度別に尋ねた。例えば当該村において、本プロジェクトの活動が 2013 年から開始された場合、2013 年度、2014 年度、2015 年度における研修の参加状況とその理由を尋ねた。

3 種の技術研修の参加率は、総じて 1 年目から 80%を超え、2 年目には 90%を超えている。1 年目から 2 年目の増加には総じて統計的な優位差がみられた ($P<0.01$) が、2 年目から 3 年目の変化では統計的差異はみられなかった ($P>0.1$)。研修参加率がこのように高いことから、3 種の技術において住民の関心は高いことが判明した。

1) 育林研修の参加状況

育林研修の研修形態別参加率の年度別変化を表 6 に示す。2013 年度には 76.3%、2014 年度で 82.8%、2015 年度で 89.5%の世帯が育林研修に参加しており、参加率は年々ほぼ同じ割合で増加している。表 5 に示した傾向と同様に、グループ単位で研修を受講する世帯が多い。

表 6：育林研修への参加率の年度別変化

		2013 年度	2014 年度	2015 年度
参加者数 (有効回答数)	参加率	103 (135)	447 (540)	636 (711)
		76.3%	82.8%	89.5%
研修形態	個人	2	11	30
		1.9%	2.5%	4.7%
	グループ	101	436	606
		98.1%	97.5%	95.3%

育林研修への参加率の経年別変化を表 7 に示す。本プロジェクトが活動を開始した初年度で 81.5%、2 年目に 90.3% (8.8%の増)、3 年目に 88.2% (2.2%の減) と変化している。1 年目から 2 年目の増加に統計的な有意差はある ($P<0.001$) が、2 年目から 3 年目の減少に統計的な有意差はみられない ($P>0.1$)。

初年度に 8 割、2 年目以降にはほぼ 9 割の世帯が研修に参加していることから、村人の研修参加率は非常に高い。

表 7：育林研修への参加率の経過年数別変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
参加者数（有効回答数）	583 (715)	484 (536)	119 (135)
参加率	81.5%	90.3%	88.2%
(95%CI)	(78.7~84.4)	(87.8~92.8)	(82.7~93.6)

2) 土壌保全研修の参加状況

土壌保全研修の研修形態別参加率の年度別変化を表 8 に示す。本プロジェクトが開始した 2013 年度で 83.6%、2014 年度で 88.3%、2015 年度で 96.3%と、継続して増加している。また研修への参加方法は、前項の育林研修（表 5）と同様に、グループ単位で研修に参加する傾向にある。

表 8：土壌保全研修の研修形態別参加率の年度別変化

	2013 年度	2014 年度	2015 年度
参加者数（有効回答数）	112 (134)	476 (539)	685 (711)
参加率	83.6%	88.3%	96.3%
研修形態	個人	2	15
		1.8%	3.2%
	グループ	110	461
	98.2%	96.9%	93.6%

土壌保全研修における参加率の経年変化を表 9 に示す。本プロジェクトの活動が開始した 1 年目で 88.8%、2 年目に 95.1%（6.4%の増）、3 年目に 97.0%（1.9%の増）と、経年ごとに増加しているものの、2 年目から 3 年目への増加は頭打ちになっている。育林研修と同様に 1 年目から 2 年目の増加に統計的な有意差はある（ $P<0.001$ ）が、2 年目から 3 年目の増加に統計的な有意差は見られない（ $P>0.1$ ）。

表 9：土壌保全研修への参加率の経過年数別変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
参加者数（有効回答数）	631 (711)	508 (534)	131 (135)
参加率	88.8%	95.1%	97.0%
(95%CI)	(86.4~91.1)	(93.3~97.0)	(94.2~99.9)

3) ガリコントロール研修の参加状況

ガリコントロール研修の参加率の年度別変化を表 10 に示す。本プロジェクトが活動を開始した 2013 年度で 82.8%、2014 年度で 85.4%、2015 年度で 95.1%と増加している。また他の研修と同じように、グループ単位で研修を受講する傾向が強い。

表 10：ガリコントロール研修への参加率の年度別変化

		2013 年度	2014 年度	2015 年度
参加者数（有効回答数）		111 (134)	462 (541)	676 (711)
参加率		82.8%	85.4%	95.1%
研修形態	個人	3	12	38
		2.7%	2.6%	5.6%
	グループ	108	450	638
		97.3%	97.4%	94.4%

ガリコントロール研修における、参加率の経過年数別変化を表 11 に示す。本プロジェクトが活動を開始した 1 年目で 85.9%、2 年目に 94.0%（8.1%の増）、3 年目に 97.0%（3.0%の増）と漸増している。他の 2 種の技術の研修と同様に 1 年目から 2 年目の増加に統計的な有意差はある（ $P<0.001$ ）が、2 年目から 3 年目の増加に統計的な有意差はない（ $P>0.1$ ）。

表 11：ガリコントロール研修への参加率の経過年数別変化

		1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
参加者数（有効回答数）		611 (711)	501 (533)	130 (134)
参加率		85.9%	94.0%	97.0%
(95%CI)		(83.3~88.4)	(92.0~96.0)	(94.1~99.9)

以上の結果から、COVAMS アプローチが実施するすべての研修で、1 年目に 8 割以上、2 年目に 9 割以上の対象世帯が研修に参加している。

4) 研修への参加理由

3 種の技術研修の参加理由を複数選択可能で回答した結果（3 年間の合計値）を図 5 に示す。参加動機は 3 種の技術研修で大きく異なる。育林研修では、「土地の保護」が 51.5%（710 世帯）で最も多く、次いで「一般的な能力向上」18.3%（252 世帯）、「技術への興味」17.3%（238 世帯）、「収量／収入の増加」10.4%（144 世帯）と続く。土壌保全研修では、「収量／収入の増加」が 72.2%（1,025 世帯）で最も多く、次いで「技術への興味」12.7%（180 世帯）、「一般的な能力向上」11.7%（166 世帯）と続く。ガリコントロール研修では、「土地の保護」が 70.6%（936 世帯）で最も多く、次いで「一般的な能力向上」11.6%（154 世帯）、「技術への興味」11.2%（149 世帯）、と続く。

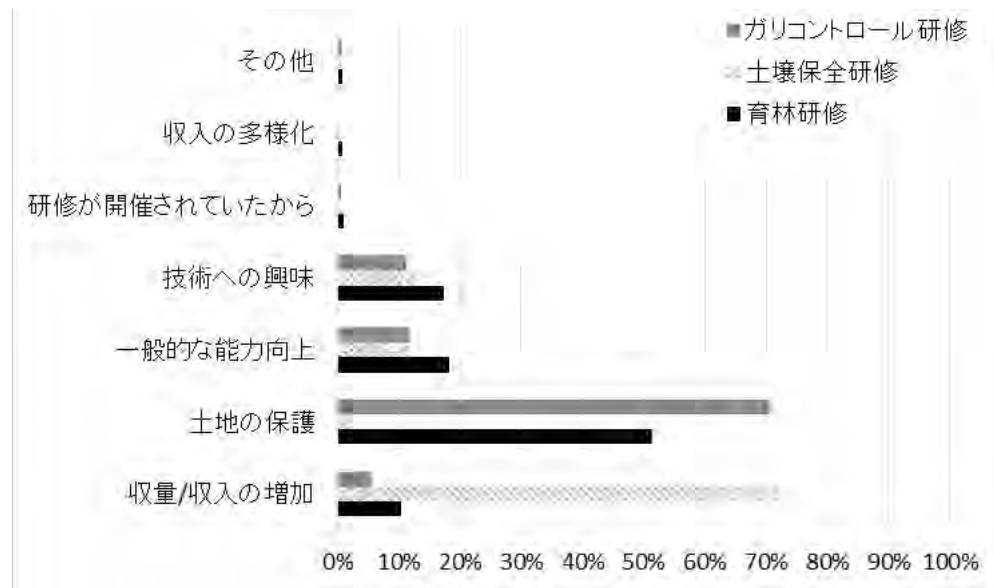


図 5：研修への参加理由

4. 技術の実践状況

(1) 植林の実践

1) 苗木生産の実践状況

本調査の結果から、本プロジェクト開始前に 60.8%であった苗木生産の実践率が、1 年目には 83.8%に上昇し、2 年目には 90%近い実践率がえられた。また、世帯単位での苗木生産活動に比べ、グループ単位で苗木を生産する傾向が強く、この傾向は本プロジェクトの開始後に更に強化される。このことから、LF や SLF による研修はグループでの苗木生産の実践率に、より強く影響していることが分かった。グループでの活動が促進された理由として、研修をとおして、農民自身の個の苗木生産に係る知識や技術が向上し、かつ育林の便益が理解されたことにより、県森林局やドナー、NGO などから支援を受けやすいグループ活動を、農民自身が選択した結果と推察される。

実践率と苗木生産本数はともに、本プロジェクト開始後の 1 年目から 2 年目の増加には統計的有意差が認められた。グループ単位での苗木の生産本数の 2 年目から 3 年目の減少には統計的有意差が認められ、世帯単位での苗木生産の 2 年目から 3 年目の減少には統計的有意差は認められなかった。

苗木生産の実践状況について、本プロジェクト開始後の経過年数別の変化を表 12 に示す。

本プロジェクトの開始前には 60.8%であった実践率が、本プロジェクトの活動を開始して 2 年目で 90%近くに達している。経年別にみると、本プロジェクト開始前に 60.8% (462 世帯)、開始後 1 年目で 83.8% (636 世帯)、2 年目 89.6% (519 世帯)、3 年目 90.7% (127 世帯) と徐々に増加している。統計的には、プロジェクト開始前からプロジェクト開始後 1 年目

($P<0.001$)、1 年目から 2 年目の増加には有意差がみられ ($P<0.01$)、2 年目から 3 年目の増加は有意差がない ($P>0.1$)。

苗木を生産した世帯の実践単位は、グループが 3 年間平均で 5 割強、世帯は 2 割弱、その両方も 2 割弱であった。

表 12：苗木生産実践率のプロジェクト開始後の経過年数別変化

	開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目	3 年間平均
実践率	60.8%	83.8%	89.6%	90.7%	86.7%
(95%CI)	(57.3~64.3)	(81.2~86.4)	(87.2~92.1)	(85.9~95.5)	
世帯での実践率	24.1%	13.6%	21.2%	27.9%	17.9%
(95%CI)	(21.5~27.7)	(11.1~16.0)	(17.9~24.6)	(20.4~35.3)	
グループでの実践率	35.5%	54.8%	48.0%	46.4%	51.4%
(95%CI)	(32.1~38.9)	(51.3~58.3)	(43.9~52.1)	(38.2~54.7)	
両方の単位での実践率	0.7%	15.4%	20.4%	16.4%	17.5%
(95%CI)	(0.1~1.2)	(12.8~18.0)	(17.1~23.7)	(10.3~22.6)	

次に苗木の生産本数を集計する。回答を得たサンプルのうち、世帯単位で苗木を生産した 522 世帯ののなかで 2,000 本以上と回答をした 2 世帯は、データ分析に影響を及ぼす可能性が高いため、これを除いた⁶。同様に、グループ単位で苗木を生産した 1,020 サンプルのうち 7,000 本以上と回答した 3 サンプルを除き、分析を進めた。

図 6 は、世帯単位で苗木を生産した世帯が、1 世帯当たり生産した苗木の平均本数の経年変化を示したヒストグラムである。1 年目に世帯あたり 50 本（中央値：20.0、95%CI：34~66）、2 年目 87 本（中央値：32.5、95%CI：62~111）、3 年目 62 本（中央値：30.0、95%CI：38~85）を生産した。検定の結果、プロジェクト開始後 1 年目から 2 年目の苗木生産本数が同じであるという帰無仮説を棄却する十分な統計的証拠が存在し（ $P<0.05$ ）、2 年目から 3 年目の苗木生産本数が同じであるという帰無仮説を棄却する統計的証拠は存在しない（ $P>0.1$ ）という結果であった。

1 世帯当たりの苗木生産本数（本）

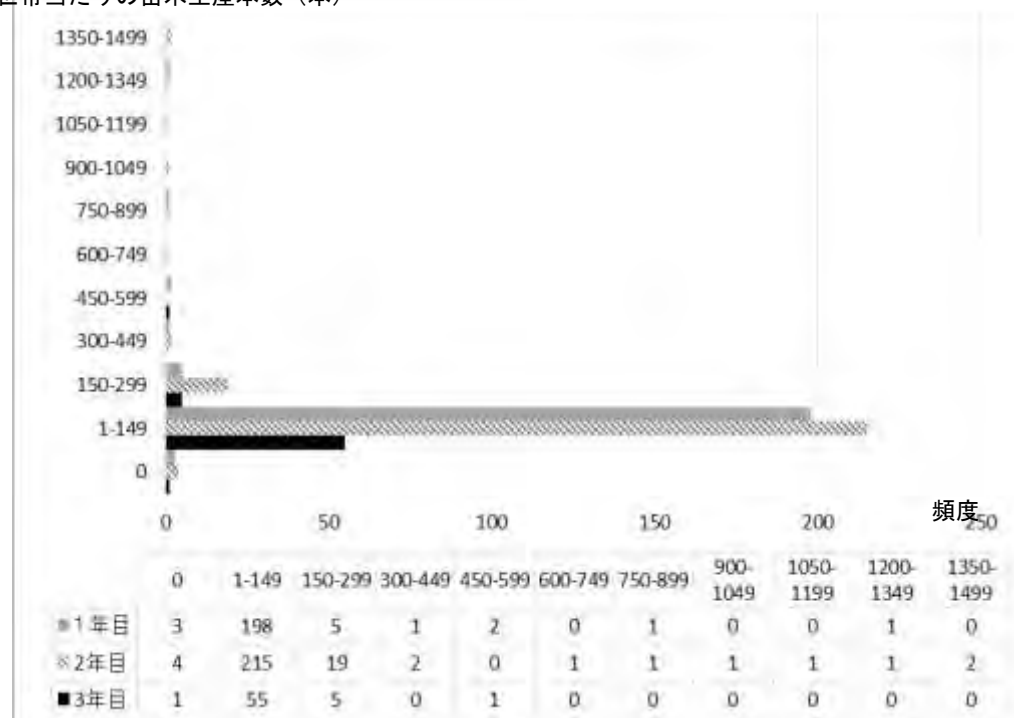


図 6：苗木生産の世帯あたり平均本数の経過年数別変化

⁶ 外れ値の検定には、スミルノフ・グラブス検定を用いた。

図7は、グループで苗木を生産した世帯が、1グループ当たり生産した苗木の平均本数の経年変化を示したヒストグラムである。グループあたり苗木の生産本数は、1年目に578本（中央値：200.0、95%CI：499～657）、2年目774本（中央値：300.0、95%CI：687～939）、3年目433本（中央値：100.0、95%CI：255～609）である。検定を行った結果、プロジェクト開始後1年目から2年目、2年目から3年目の苗木生産本数が同じであるという帰無仮説を棄却する十分な統計的証拠が存在した（ $P<0.05$ ）。

苗木を生産したグループの大きさを村、Limana、グループの3単位に区分して、どの単位で苗木を生産したかを質問した。3年間の平均比率は、村が12.8%（平均106世帯）、Limanaが38.9%（平均31世帯）、グループが48.4%（平均30世帯）であった。質問票では3単位に区分して調査したが、データが示すようにLimanaとグループに属する世帯数はほぼ同数であり、質問票調査においてもグループとLimanaの違いを尋ねる調査対象者が多かったことから、両単位を混同した調査対象者が多いと考えられる。このため、苗木生産本数の推計にあたり、本報告書では村とLimana/グループの2つカテゴリーを苗木生産グループと捉え、算出する。

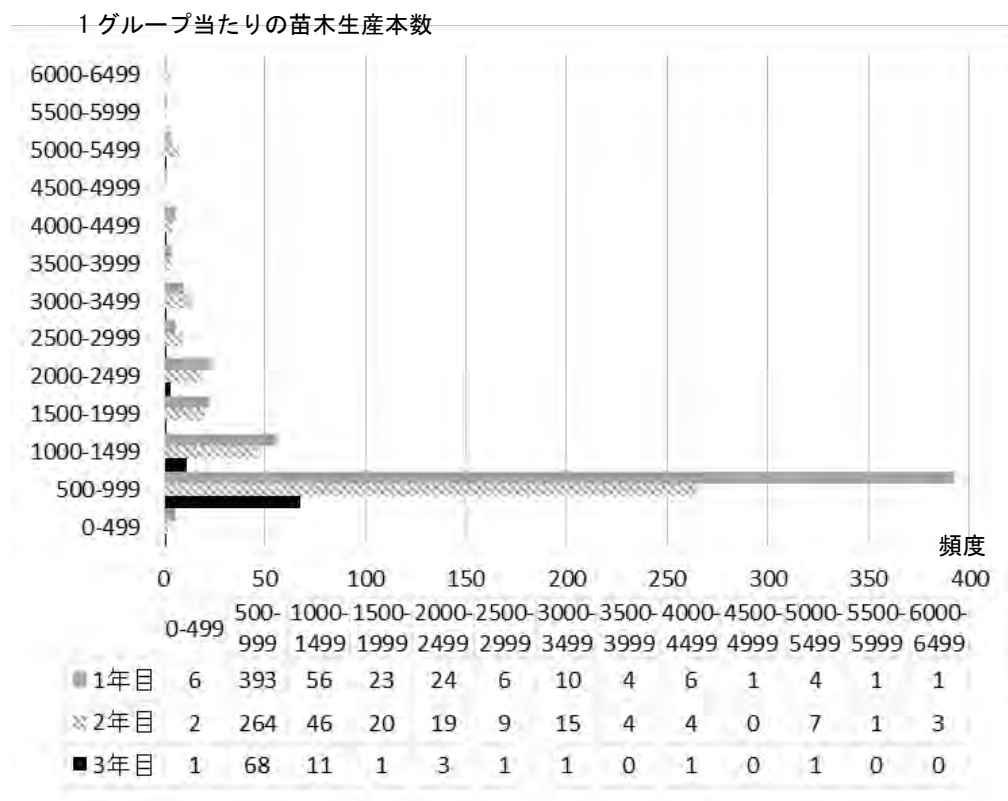


図7：苗木生産のグループあたり平均本数の経年変化

本プロジェクト開始後の2年間で対象地の35,000世帯が生産した苗木の本数を、実践率と生産本数から推計した結果を表13に示す。2年間の累計数を算出する理由は、本プロジェクト開始後1年目から2年目の増加には個人及びグループ単位での苗木生産本数と実践率に統計的差異が認められるが2年目から3年目の実践率および苗木の生産本数の増減には統計的差異が認められないためである。グループでの実践は、既述のとおり村とLimana/グループの2単位に分類して分析をした。この結果、2年間で生産された苗木の合計本数は約233万本（95%CI：

1,612,781~3,142,479)、2年間の1世帯当たり苗木生産の合計本数は67本(95%CI: 46~90)であった。

表 13：対象 35,000 世帯が生産した苗木本数の経過年数別変化

		1 年目	2 年目	合計
世帯単位	(合計)	439,250	1,053,570	1,492,820
	(95%CI)	(264,800~646,800)	(672,000~1,480,185)	(936,880~2,126,985)
村単位	(合計)	14,853	18,581	33,434
(106 世帯/グループ)	(95%CI)	(12,148~17,799)	(14,812~22,706)	(26,960~40,505)
Limana/グループ単位	(合計)	357,515	447,252	804,767
(30 世帯/グループ)	(95%CI)	(292,406~428,437)	(356,535~546,552)	(648,941~974,989)
合計	(合計)	811,618	1,519,403	2,331,021
	(95%CI)	(568,734~1,093,036)	(1,044,047~2,049,443)	(1,612,781~3,142,479)

2) 植林の実践状況

植林の実践率のプロジェクト開始後の経過年数変化について、1年目で実践率が8割を超え、世帯単位での実践率は6割、グループ単位での実践率は4~5割である。統計的には本プロジェクト開始1年目の増加のみ有意差がみられた。

世帯で植林する場合には、菜園や畑の周辺など個人の土地へ植える傾向が強く(8割強)、植林地や河川敷への植林率は低い。また、グループで苗木を生産した世帯の5~6割が植林地や河川敷、山などにグループ単位で植林し、同世帯の4割ほどがメンバー間で苗木を分配して世帯単位で植林している。村やグループなどで植林する場合には、7割以上の世帯が植林地へ植林していることが判明した。

植林の実践状況について、本プロジェクト開始後の経過年数別の変化を表14に示す。

プロジェクト開始前に65.2%(495世帯)だったのが、本プロジェクトの開始後、世帯単位では1年目に63.2%(480世帯)、2年目68.7%(398世帯)、3年目64.3%(90世帯)の世帯がそれぞれ植林している。グループ単位の植林では、1年目に48.2%(366世帯)、2年目50.4%(292世帯)、3年目45.7%(64世帯)である。世帯およびグループの両単位で植林を実践した世帯があるため、2つの実践率の合計が100%とはならない。植林の実践率のプロジェクト開始後の経過年数変化について、統計的にはプロジェクト開始前から開始後1年目にかけての増加には有意差がみられ($P<0.001$)、その後1年目~3年目の変化には有意差がみられない。世帯単位、グループ単位のプロジェクト開始後1~3年目には、統計的な有意差がみられない。

表 14：植林実践率の経年変化

	開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
実践率	65.2%	84.6%	88.3%	87.9%
(95%CI)	(61.8~68.6)	(82.0~87.2)	(85.6~90.9)	(82.4~93.3)
世帯での実践率	N.A	63.2%	68.7%	64.3%
(95%CI)		(59.8~66.7)	(65.0~72.5)	(56.3~72.2)
グループでの実践率	N.A	48.2%	50.4%	45.7%
(95%CI)		(44.7~51.8)	(46.4~54.5)	(37.5~54.0)

次に植林したと回答した世帯に対して、世帯・グループ単位での植林本数を質問した。

世帯単位で植林したと回答した 237 世帯のサンプルのうち、2,000 本以上と回答をした 1 サンプルについては、データ分析に影響を及ぼす可能性が高いため、これを除いた。

図 8 は、世帯単位で植林を実践した世帯の 1 世帯当たりの平均植林本数の経過年数別の変化を示した。世帯単位での植林の平均本数は、本プロジェクトの活動開始 1 年目で 50 本（中央値：20.0、95%CI：34～65）、2 年目 77 本（中央値：30.0、95%CI：54～98）、3 年目 34 本（中央値：20.0、95%CI：34～65）である。検定を行った結果、1 年目、2 年目、3 年目の植林本数には統計的な有意差は認められなかった（ $P>0.1$ ）。

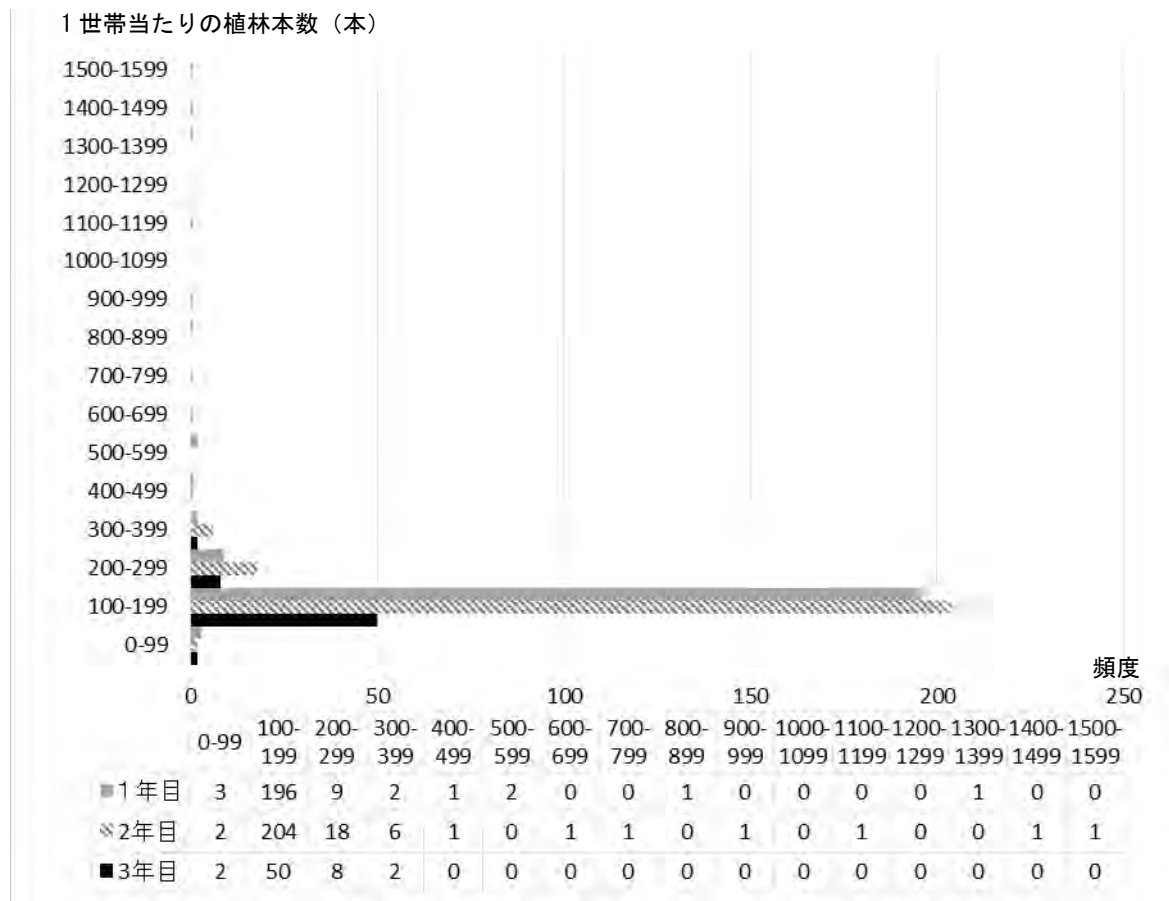


図 8：世帯単位での平均植林本数の経年変化

世帯単位で植林する場所の経過年数別変化を示したのが表 15 である。経過年数による植林場所の大きな変化は見られないが、家屋敷への植林は年々減少している。3 年間平均では、「菜園・畑周辺」が一番多く 53.2%（合計 602 世帯）、次いで、「家屋敷」32.9%（合計 375 世帯）、「植林地」8.2%（合計 93 世帯）、「河川敷」5.8%（合計 66 世帯）である。

表 15：世帯単位での植林場所の経過年数別変化

		1 年目	2 年目	3 年目	3 年平均
菜園・畑周辺		52.7%	51.6%	63.0%	53.2%
	平均本数	23 本	45 本	39 本	34 本
家屋敷		35.1%	31.9%	25.9%	32.9%
	平均本数	24 本	33 本	27 本	28 本
植林地		7.7%	9.4%	4.6%	8.2%
	平均本数	80 本	63 本	44 本	70 本
河川敷		4.5%	7.1%	6.5%	5.8%
	平均本数	28 本	59 本	12 本	42 本

グループ単位で苗木を生産した世帯がどのように苗木を使用したか質問したところ、3 年間平均では 72.1%（722 世帯）がグループ単位で植林し、56.9%（570 世帯）が苗木をグループメンバーで分配し、0.3%（3 世帯）が販売したと回答した（表 16）。プロジェクト開始後 1～3 年目の変化には統計的な有意差は見られない。

参考として、1 年目にグループで植林しかつグループで苗木を分配した回答の割合は 27.1%、2 年目は 32.5%、3 年目は 28.6%である。

植林をグループで実践した世帯の 1 グループあたり平均植林本数の経過年数別変化では、1 年目にグループあたり 554 本（中央値：200.0、95%CI：485～622）、2 年目 725 本（中央値：270.0、95%CI：624～825）、3 年目 413 本（中央値：100.0、95%CI：160～562）である。3 年間平均は 611 本であった。検定を行った結果、プロジェクト開始後 1 年目から 2 年目、2 年目から 3 年目の植林本数が同じであるという帰無仮説を棄却する強い統計的証拠が存在した（ $P<0.01$ ）。一方で、グループでの植林の実践率では、本プロジェクト活動を開始した 1 年目、2 年目、3 年目のあいだに統計的差異は認められない。グループ単位での植林本数では、2 年目が 1 年目に比べ増加する（ $P<0.01$ ）ものの、3 年目には減少する（ $P<0.01$ ）という結果が示された。

表 16：グループで生産した苗木の使用法の経年変化

		1 年目	2 年目	3 年目	3 年平均
グループで植林		69.7%	75.8%	75.3%	72.1%
	(95%CI)	(66.1~84.5)	(71.6~80.1)	(65.8~73.6)	
	平均本数	554 本	725 本	413 本	611 本
	(95%CI)	(485~622)	(624~825)	(160~562)	
グループメンバーで分配		58.9%	56.4%	51.8%	56.9%
	平均本数	338 本	438 本	231 本	368 本
販売		0.4%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%
	平均本数	460 本	1,900 本	0 本	940 本

グループ単位で植林する場所の経過年数別変化を示したのが表 17 である。

その結果によれば、経過年数による植林場所に大きな変化は見られない。3 年間平均では、「植林地」が一番多く 70.5%（合計 555 世帯）、次いで「河川敷」19.3%（合計 152 世帯）、「山」8.2%（合計 60 世帯）、「その他（菜園・畑周辺、井戸周辺、家屋敷、お墓など）」2.5%（合計 20 世帯）であった。

表 17：グループ単位での植林場所の経過年数別変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目	3 年平均
植林地	72.6%	67.6%	72.5%	70.5%
平均本数 (95%CI)	494 本 (414~573)	572 本 (477~667)	344 本 (186~500)	512 本
河川敷	18.9%	20.2%	17.4%	19.3%
平均本数 (95%CI)	519 本 (474~564)	872 本 (804~940)	427 本 (361~491)	665 本
山	7.2%	8.3%	7.2%	7.6%
平均本数	660 本	922 本	1,047 本	810 本
その他	1.3%	4.0%	2.9%	1.3%

本プロジェクト開始後の 2 年間で、対象地の 35,000 世帯が世帯およびグループで植林した本数を、実践率と生産本数から推計した結果を表 18 に示す。2 年間の累計数を算出する理由は、世帯単位の植林実践においてプロジェクト開始後 2 年目から 3 年目の実践率の増加には統計的有意差は認められず、植林の平均本数はデータを取った 3 年間のうちで 2 年目が最大となるためである。またグループ単位での植林実践において、3 年間の実践率に統計的有意差はみられず、植林本数は世帯単位での植林本数と同様に 2 年目が最大となる。

この結果、2 年間に対象地域の 35,000 世帯が植林した推定本数は、世帯単位の植林で 295 万本、グループ単位で 67 万本、合計約 362 万本（95%CI：2,476,185~4,821,877）となる。2 年間の 1 世帯当たりの植林本数は 84 本（95%CI：55~114）、グループによる植林本数は 19 本（95%CI：15~23）であった。2 年間の植林本数の世帯単位とグループ単位の合計を植林場所ごとにみると、多い順に「菜園・畑周辺」約 82.5 万本、「植林地」約 76 万本、「家屋敷」約 41.5 万本、「河川敷」約 23 万本、「山」5.2 万本である。

表 18：対象 35,000 世帯による植林本数の経年変化

	1 年目	2 年目	合計
世帯による植林本数 (合計)	1,109,087	1,840,508	2,949,595
(95%CI)	(711,620~1,517,425)	(1,228,500~2,486,750)	(1,940,120~4,004,175)
グループによる植林本数 (合計)	283,059	387,284	643,605
(95%CI)	(220,387~327,631)	(294,296~457,455)	(514,683~785,086)
【世帯による植林場所と植林本数の合計】			
菜園・畑周辺	272,113	553,502	825,615
家屋敷	178,118	238,430	416,548
植林地	143,576	150,366	293,942
河川敷	23,307	75,741	99,048
【グループによる植林場所と植林本数の合計】			
植林地	205,598	261,742	467,340
河川敷	53,571	78,167	131,739
山	20,270	31,978	52,248

3) 直播と天然更新の実践状況

表 19 に示すように、苗木を生産したと答えた世帯の 3~4 割が直播を実践し、4~5 割ほどが天然更新を実践しており、その割合は軽微ではあるが年々増加している。

表 19：直播と天然更新の実践率の経過年数別変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
【世帯単位】			
直播	31.3%	39.9%	46.0%
天然更新	45.7%	57.1%	56.5%
【グループ単位】			
直播（共有地）	27.0%	29.4%	31.1%
直播（その他）	0.2%	0.8%	0.0%
天然更新	34.6%	41.7%	40.0%

4) 実践しなかった理由

本プロジェクト実施前に苗木生産や植林を実践しなかった理由で一番多いのは、「技術を知らない」が70%以上であったが、本プロジェクト開始後は「不在」、「多忙」、「材料がない」などが主な理由として挙げられ、「技術を知らなかった」という理由は聞かれなかった。この結果から、LFによる住民への研修によって、住民が育林技術を実践するために必要な知識と技術が伝達されたと考えられる。

図9に示すように、本プロジェクト開始前に苗木を生産しなかった理由として、70.2%（228世帯）が「技術を知らない」と回答している。ついで、「興味がない」14.2%（46世帯）、「重要性を知らなかった」6.8%（22世帯）、「意欲がない」1.5%（5世帯）、「既に植わっている」0.9%（3世帯）となる。

一方、本プロジェクト開始後に苗木生産をしなかった理由は、回答数の多い順に22.7%（46世帯）が「不在」であり、ついで、「忙しい」19.2%（39世帯）、「興味がない」17.2%（35世帯）、「種やポットなどの材料がない」11.3%（23世帯）であった。少数意見ではあるが、「メンバーではない」、「選ばれなかった」との回答が1.5%（3世帯）あった。これらは、COVAMSアプローチが推進する、全ての住民を対象とする原則に反した回答であり、LFの育成研修ではこの点を注意して伝える必要がある。

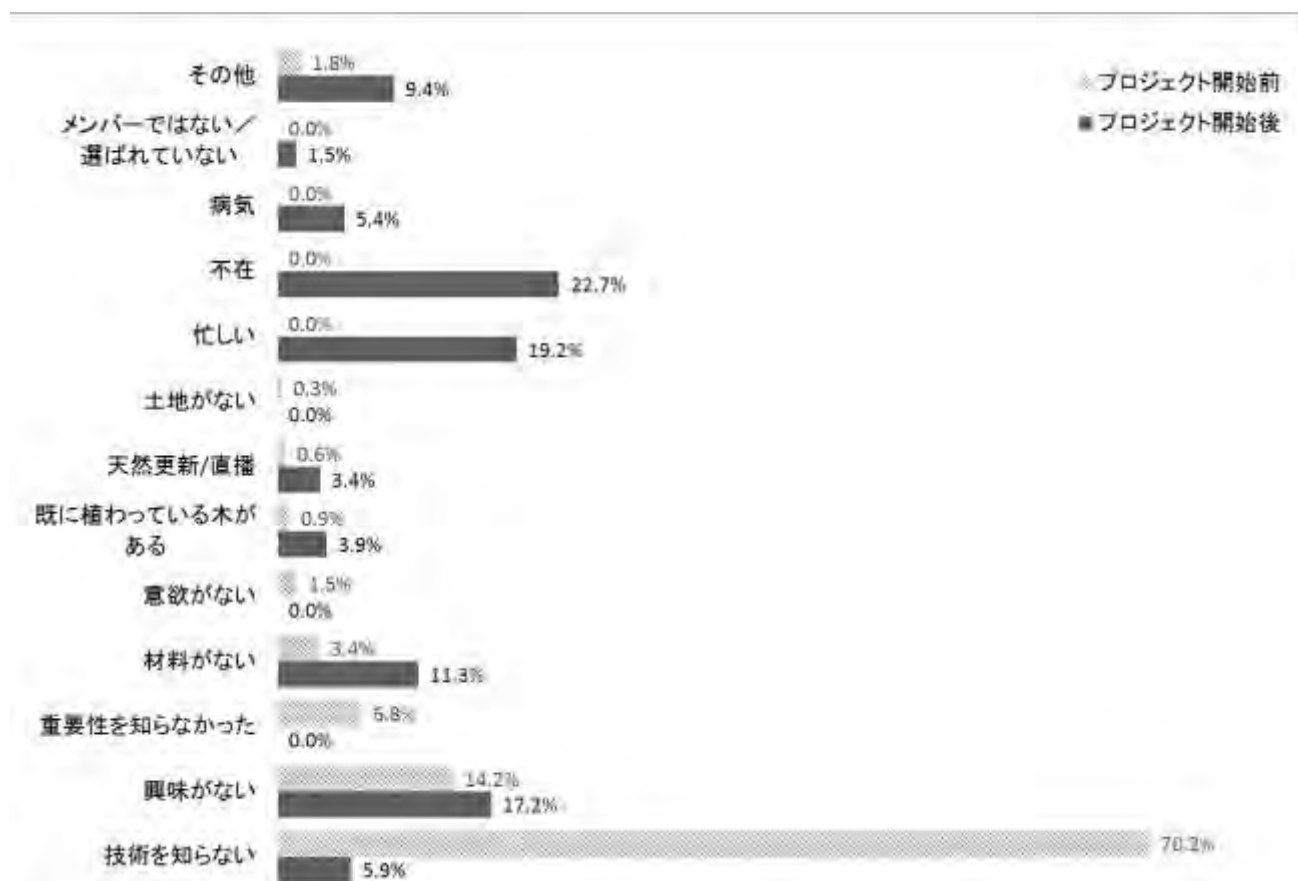


図 9：苗木生産をしなかった理由

続いて、本プロジェクト開始前に植林しなかった理由を図 10 に示す。76.0% (215 世帯) が「技術を知らない」で、ついで「興味がない」13.4% (38 世帯)、「重要性を知らなかった」5.7% (16 世帯)、「意欲がない」1.8% (5 世帯)、「既に植わっている」1.4% (4 世帯) であった。一方、本プロジェクト開始後に植林を実施しなかった理由は、「苗木がない」25.3% (72 世帯)、「枯死」、「グループからの苗の未配布などにより苗を準備できなかった」24.9% (53 世帯)、「忙しい」18.3% (39 世帯)、「不在」13.6% (29 世帯) などが挙げられている。

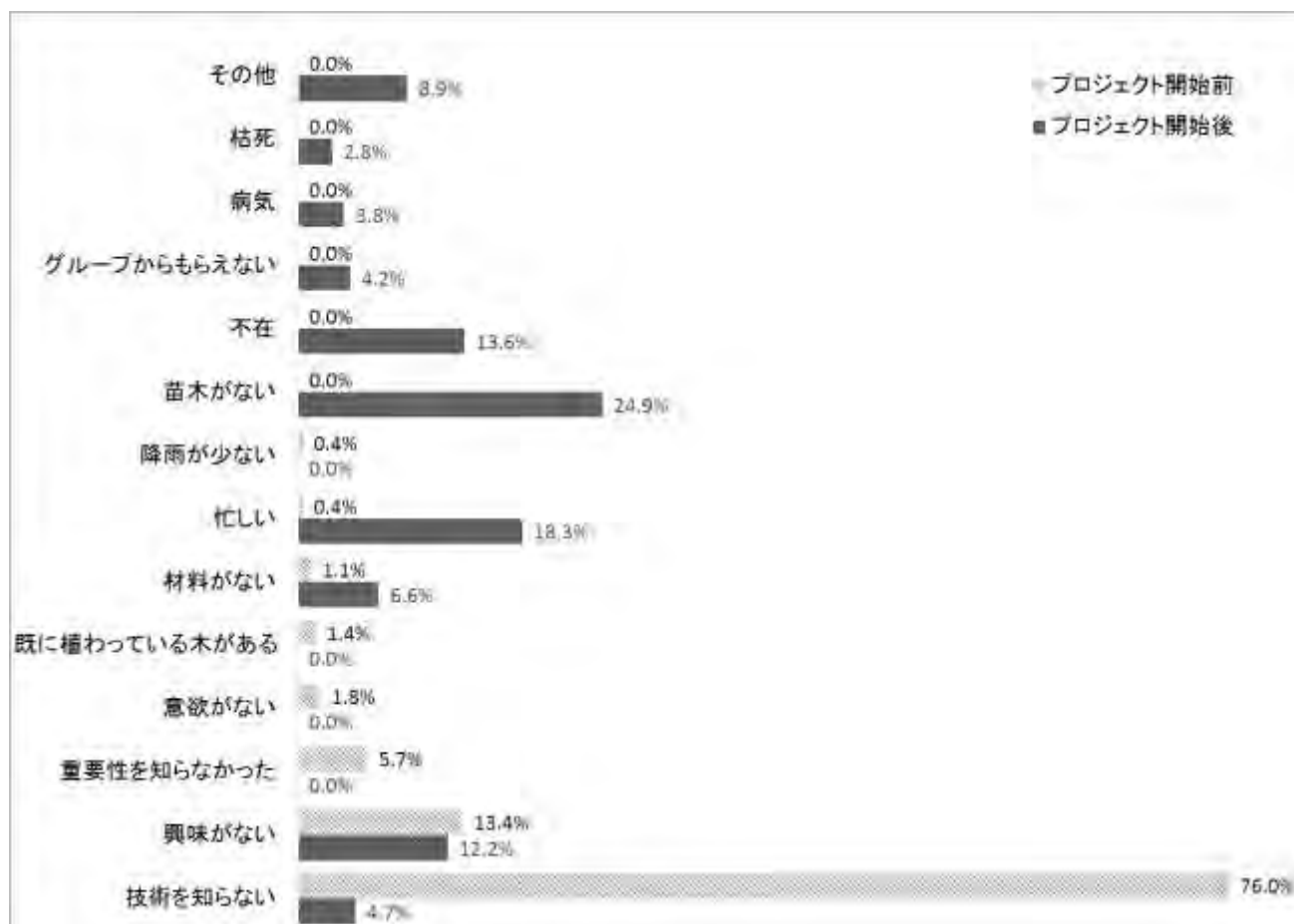


図 10：植林をしなかった理由

5) 情報の入手先

苗木生産または植林の技術を実践している世帯に対し、技術を教えてもらった先、すなわち情報の入手先を尋ねた。「COVAMS の LF」からが 55.6% (689 世帯) と最も多く、ついで「CCO (普及員)」が 19.6% (243 世帯)、「村長またはグループ村長」で 5.6% (69 世帯) となっている (図 11)。本プロジェクトの LF が住民への情報網として十分に理解されていることが判明した。

本質問の目的は、本プロジェクト実施期間中に LF や SLF による研修や啓発活動を補足し、育林の技術普及を加速させるような情報網を農民が持っているかを調べることにあったが、これらの情報網を補足できるような情報入手先はなかった。

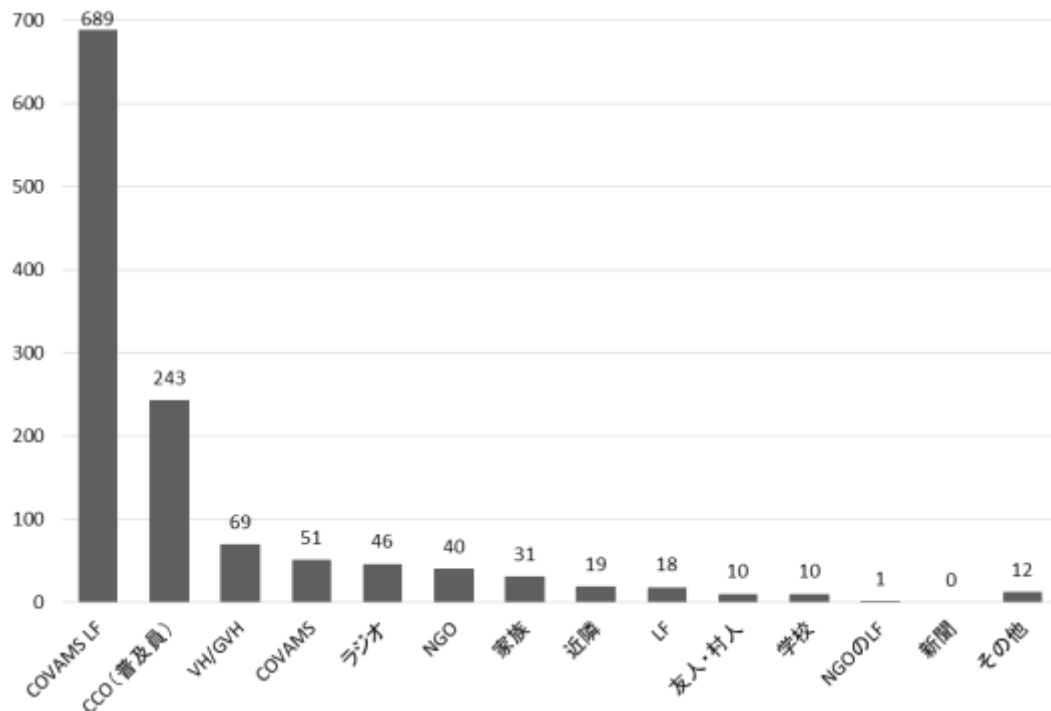


図 11：育林技術を実践する住民が情報を入手する対象または媒体

(2) 土壌保全技術の実践

1) 等高線農法の実践状況

本調査の結果から、等高線農法に含まれる 4 技術（下述）のいずれかを実践している世帯は、本プロジェクト開始後 2 年目に 90%を超え、3 年目には 95%以上の世帯が実践している。本プロジェクト開始前の実践率が 25%であるから、本プロジェクトによる活動を開始したことにより、実践率が顕著に増加している。等高線畝立（Contour ridging）、ボックス・リッジ（Box ridge）、スワレ（Swale）、永年植物などを等高線マーカーとして等高線上に植えること（以下、等高線マーカー）（Hedge row）の 4 種の技術の各実践率は、高い順にボックス・リッジ 29.6%、等高線畝立 28.1 %、スワレ 24.6%、等高線マーカー 17.7%であった。またそれらの実践にあたっては、適用する技術の数や面積を毎年少しずつ増やす傾向があることが判明した。

土壌保全技術の実践率と、畝幅 90cm 以上と回答をした世帯を除いた場合の実践率の経過年数別の変化を、表 20 に示す。技術を実践した世帯に対して、等高線農法の畝幅 80cm 以下、85cm、90cm のそれぞれの栽培面積を尋ねた。ここで、3 つの畝幅で区分した理由は、等高線農法の理解度を図るためである。90cm 以上の畝幅による土壌保全技術の実践者を除くのは、LF が同技術を正しく指導できていないか、農家が正しく理解していない可能性があるからである。マラウイ農業省は畝幅 75cm を推奨しているが、農地の耕作権に関わる種々の問題⁷や、化学肥料や種子など農業資材に要する費用が多くなることを考慮し、本プロジェクトでは 85cm までの畝幅を許容している。90cm の畝幅は、慣行農法が採用する畝幅と同じであり、LF の指導が不適切か、農家の

⁷ 不耕作地の所有権が認められないため、耕作面積を大きくするために畝幅を広くする、耕作者は使用人であるため、土地所有者に聞かないと分からないなどの理由から、技術が正確に伝わった場合でも、実践には結びつかない要因がある。

理解が足りない可能性がある。このため、本報告書では、畝幅 90cm 以上と回答した世帯を除いた実践率が、本プロジェクトの活動で土壌保全技術を実践する世帯と考える。

畝幅 90cm 以上と回答した世帯を除いた実践率は、本プロジェクトの活動開始前は 25.0%に過ぎないが、1 年目に 82.8% (95%CI : 80.0~85.4)、2 年目に 92.4% (95%CI : 90.5~94.3)、3 年目に 96.4% (95%CI : 95.1~97.7) と増加した (表 20)。本プロジェクトの活動がはじまった 1 年目と 2 年目の実践率の増加には統計的有意差があり ($P<0.001$)、3 年目の実践率の増加にも統計的な有意差が認められた ($P<0.05$)。

表 20：土壌保全技術の実践率の経年変化

	プロジェクト 開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
実践者数 (有効回答数)	190 (760)	680 (765)	564 (580)	138 (140)
実践率	25.0%	88.9%	97.2%	98.6%
(95%CI)	(21.9~28.1)	(86.6~91.0)	(95.9~98.6)	(96.6~100.5)
畝幅 90cm 以上と回答した世帯を除いた実践率				
実践者数 (有効回答数)	120 (760)	633 (765)	536 (580)	135 (140)
実践率	15.8%	82.8%	92.4%	96.4%
(95%CI)	(13.2~18.4)	(80.0~85.4)	(90.5~94.3)	(95.1~97.7)

畝幅の違いによる実践率の経過年数別変化を示したのが図 12 である。80cm の畝幅による等高線農法の実践者は、プロジェクト開始前は 60.3% (95%CI : 13.2~18.4) であったが、年を重ねるごとに増加して、本プロジェクト開始後 3 年目で 95.7% (95%CI : 92.2~99.1) となった。反対に、本プロジェクト開始前に 90cm 以上の畝幅で等高線農法を実践した世帯は 37.0% (95%CI : 30.2~43.9) であったが、年を経るごとにその割合は減少し、3 年目で 2.2% (95%CI : -0.3~4.6) となった。

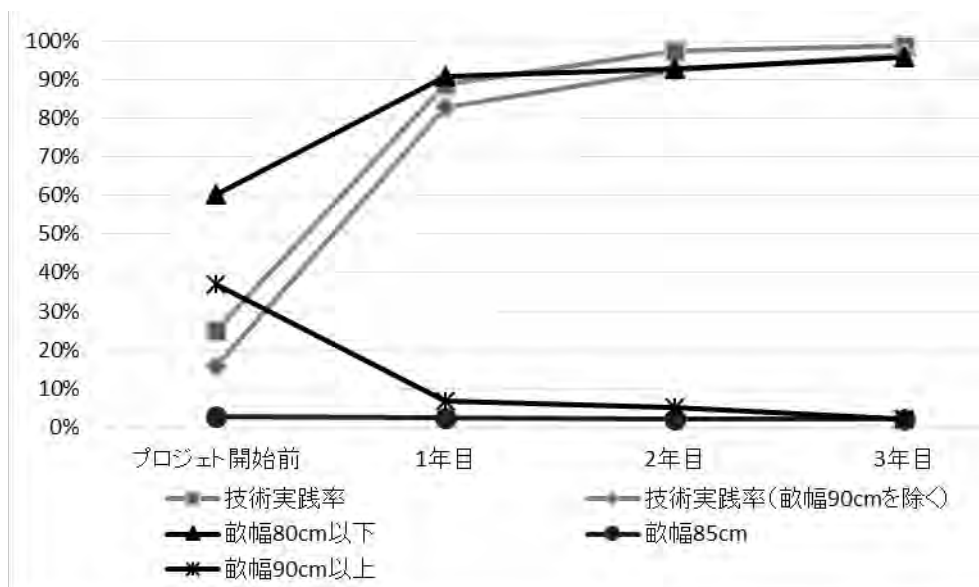


図 12：土壌保全技術と畝幅別等高線農法の実践率の経過年数別の変化

畝幅の違いによる等高線農法の適用面積は 0.8 エーカー⁸から 1.2 エーカー（3,238～4,856m²）と統計的有意差は見られず、経過年数別変化においても同様である。

次に、等高線農法を実践する際の適用技術について尋ねた。技術の内容は、等高線畝立（Contour ridging）、ボックス・リッジ（Box ridge）、スワレ（Swale）、等高線マーカー（Hedge row）の 4 種である。

ボックス・リッジは、畝間に 2m 間隔で、細長い畝を断ち切る縦の小山を設置する。この山の高さは畝と同じくらいの高さで、雨が降った時に等高線状（畝の方向）へ流出する表層土が、ボックス・リッジ間に溜まるため、土壌の流出を抑えることができる。また、降雨が畝間に溜まりゆっくりと植物に吸収される。スワレは、約 3.3m 間隔で設置される。等高線マーカーとなる畝（ベチベルなどを植える）に沿って、深さ 20～30cm、幅 40～60cm の細長い溝を掘る。雨が降った時に垂直方向（斜面傾斜に沿って）へ流出する土壌の流出を抑えることができる。

表 21 に示す技術の実践率は、本プロジェクトによる活動開始後の 3 年間平均で、高い順にボックス・リッジ 29.6%、等高線畝立 28.1%、スワレ 24.6%、等高線マーカー 17.7% である。等高線マーカー用のベチベル草などは本プロジェクトでは配布していないが、県農業局が農民からの希望を基に配布している。このため、他の技術と比較して、資材を入手するために自主的に動く必要があることから、実践率が他と比べて低くなっているのではないかと考えられる。技術の実践数については、4 技術のすべてを一作期に同時に適応することは、労力や時間などの観点から難しいことが分かっている。このため、少しずつ採用数を増やしていくことを推奨しており、質問票調査の結果からも順に技術の適応数を増やしている現状が分かる（図 13）。

表 21：等高線農法における適用技術の経過年数別変化

技術		プロジェクト				
		開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目	3 年平均
等高線畝立	回答世帯数	129	582	483	127	1,192
	割合	34.6%	28.3%	27.7%	28.6%	28.09%
ボックス・リッジ	回答世帯数	125	625	513	118	1,257
	割合	33.5%	30.4%	29.4%	26.6%	29.62%
スワレ	回答世帯数	51	496	432	114	1,042
	割合	13.7%	24.1%	24.8%	25.7%	24.55%
等高線マーカー	回答世帯数	68	354	314	85	753
	割合	18.2%	17.2%	18.0%	19.1%	17.74%

⁸ 1 エーカーは 4,046.9m²

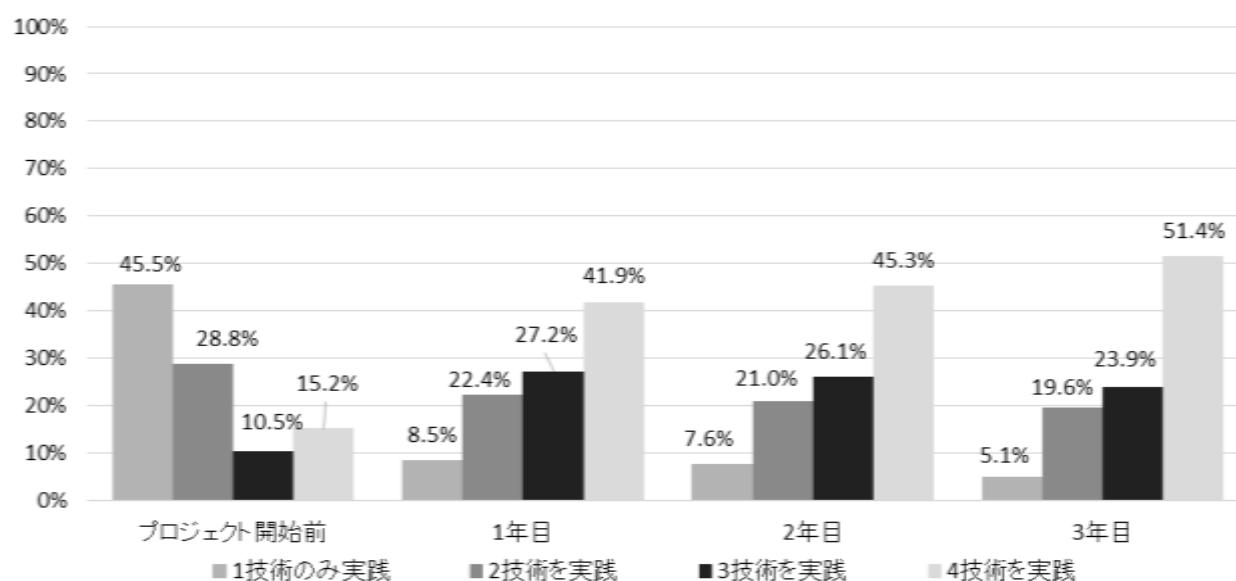


図 13：等高線農法の適応技術数の経過年数別変化

本プロジェクト対象地の 35,000 世帯が等高線農法を実践した面積を、実践率と農法適応面積から推計したものが表 22 である。

実践率と適用面積は畝幅 85cm 以下の合計値で算出した。この結果、1 年目の面積合計は 2.6 万エーカー、2 年目は累計 5.4 万エーカー、3 年目には累計 8.6 万エーカーであった。1 世帯当たりの等高線農法適用面積は 1 年目で 0.8 エーカー/世帯、2 年目には累計 1.5 エーカー/世帯、3 年目には累計 2.5 エーカー/世帯であった。

表 22：等高線農法の実践面積の経過年数別変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
合計	26,357 エーカー	27,891 エーカー	32,210 エーカー
(95%CI)	(25,432~27,282)	(26,916~28,866)	(30,289~34,132)
累計		54,248 エーカー	86,458 エーカー
(95%CI)		(52,348~56,148)	(82,637~90,280)
1 世帯当たりの適応面積	0.8 エーカー/世帯	1.5 エーカー/世帯	2.5 エーカー/世帯
(95%CI)	(0.7~0.8)	(1.5~1.6)	(2.4~2.6)

2) 堆厩肥の導入

土壌保全技術を実践していると回答した世帯を対象に、堆厩肥を圃場に投入しているかどうかを尋ねた。堆厩肥を投入していると答えた世帯は本プロジェクト開始後の 3 年間合計で 88.8% (1,320 世帯)、投入平均圃場面積は 0.71 エーカー/世帯 (中央値 0.5) だった。本プロジェクトの開始前には、20.1% (153 世帯) が実践し、投入平均圃場面積は 0.78 エーカー/世帯 (中央値 0.5) であったから、本プロジェクトの開始前後で、技術を導入する世帯の平均圃場面積に大きな変化はない。

堆厩肥を投入した世帯の本プロジェクト開始後の経過年数別変化を表 23 に示す。上述のように、堆厩肥の投入平均圃場面積に大きな変化はなかったものの、本プロジェクト開始後に堆厩肥

を投入した世帯の割合が大きく増加しており、プロジェクト開始前から 1 年目、1 年目から 2 年目の増加には統計的有意差がみられる ($P<0.001$)。一方で、2 年目から 3 年目にかけての変化には、統計的有意差は見られなかった ($P>0.1$)。

表 23：堆厩肥を投入した世帯の経過年数別変化

	プロジェクト開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目	3 年平均
堆厩肥の導入の世帯率 (95%CI)	20.1% (17.3~23.0)	84.1% (81.5~86.7)	94.5% (92.8~96.5)	94.3% (90.4~98.1)	95.0%

3) 情報の入手先

土壤保全技術を実践している世帯の情報入手先を確認した。植林と同様に、「COVAMS の LF」が 68.2% (692 世帯) と最も多く、次いで「CCO (普及員)」が 16.8% (170 世帯) であった。続いて、「COVAMS」が 5.3% (54 世帯)、「ラジオ」2.1% (21 世帯) である。植林では「村長またはグループ村長」が 5.6% (69 世帯) であったが、土壤保全技術では 2.1% (3 世帯) であった。育林技術と同様に、本プロジェクトの LF が住民への情報網として十分に活用されていることが判明した。

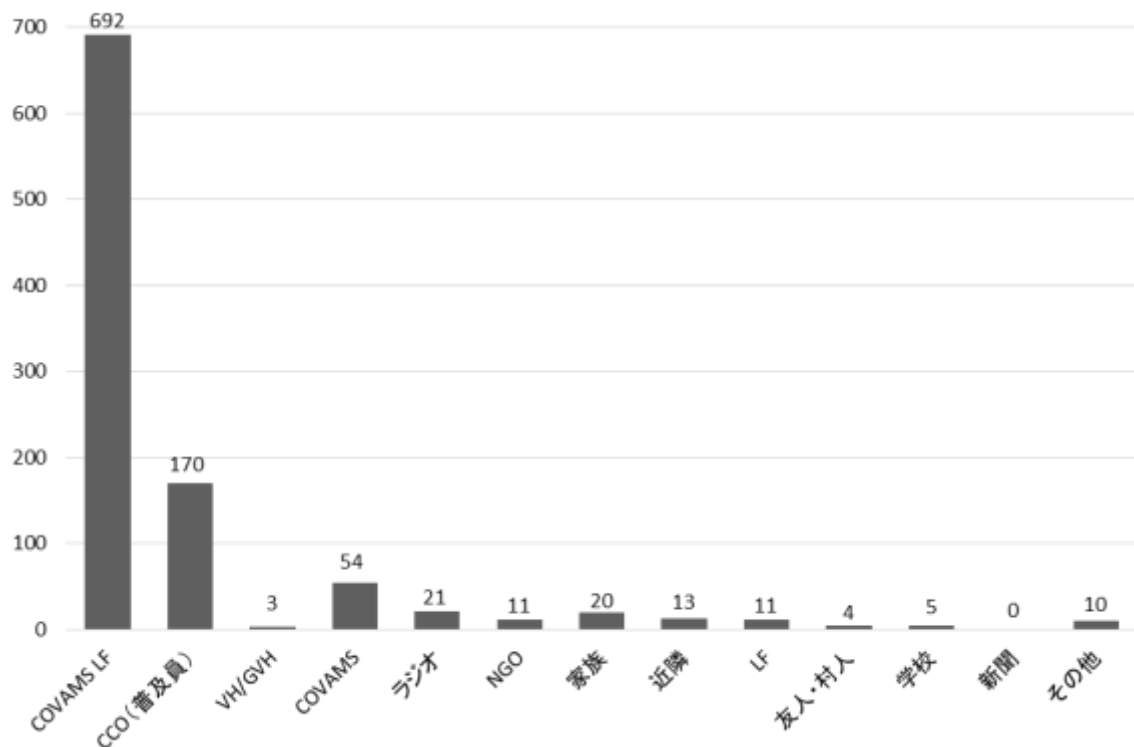


図 14：土壤保全技術を実践する住民が情報を入手する媒体または対象

4) 活動の便益

土壤保全活動を実践する世帯を対象として、土壤保全活動の便益について調査し、複数回答を可として 1039 の回答を得た。収量の増加と土壤流出防止のグラフについて、それぞれ色の濃い順に「強くそう思う」、「中程度そう思う」、「少しそう思う」となっている。「収量の増加」を挙げ

た回答が 41.5% (548 回答) と最も多い。ついで多い回答は、その他の「土壌中の水分保持のため」で 26.8% (354 回答)、「土壌流失防止のため」21.4% (282 回答)、「土壌肥沃度の維持のため」8.9% (118 回答) であった (図 15)。

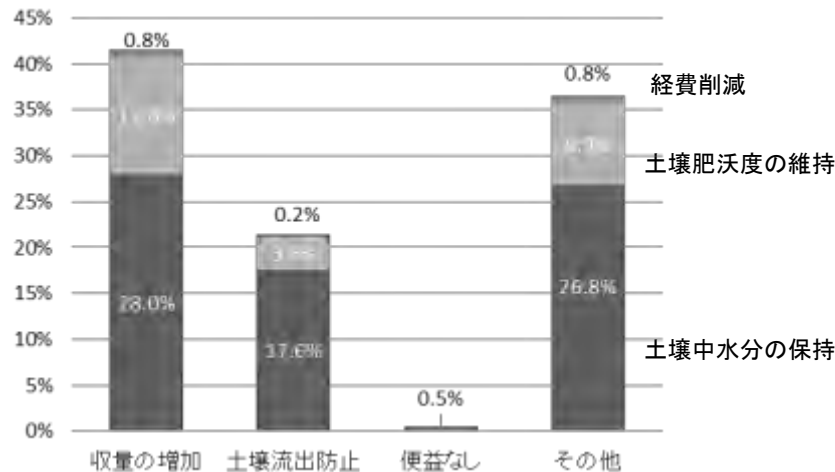


図 15 : 活動の便益

(3) ガリコントロールの実践

1) チェックダム設置の実践状況

ガリ（崩落地）コントロールの技術として、石や木など身近に手に入る資材を活用してチェックダムを設置する技術を研修している。チェックダムを設置したかどうかの質問に対する本プロジェクトの活動開始後の経年別変化を表 24 に示す。それによれば、本プロジェクト開始前で 8.9%、1 年目で 69.1%、2 年目に 69.0%、3 年目に 72.1%と変化した。他の技術と同様に、本プロジェクトの活動が開始して 1 年目で実践率は大きく増加し、統計的有意差がみられる ($P < 0.001$) が、1～3 年目の変化には統計的有意差は見られない ($P > 0.1$)。チェックダムの設置平均箇所数がプロジェクト開始後の経過年数によって変化するという帰無仮説を統計的証拠は存在しない。

表 24 : チェックダム設置の実践率の経過年数別変化

実践率 (95%CI)	プロジェクト			
	開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
	8.9%	69.1%	69.0%	72.1%
	(6.8~10.8)	(65.8~72.4)	(65.2~72.7)	(64.7~79.6)

1 世帯当たりチェックダムの年間設置個数は、3 年間平均で 5.2 か所（中央値：4.0、95%CI：4.9～5.5）で、3 年間に設置したチェックダムの総数は、調査対象世帯 556 世帯の合計で 5,322 か所にのぼった。実践率と世帯あたり平均設置個数から、プロジェクト対象地の 35,000 世帯がチェックダムを設置した個数を推計したものが表 25 である。1 年目の設置合計数は 12.6 万か所、2 年目には累計 25.1 万か所、3 年目には累計 38.26 万か所であった。1 世帯当たりのチェッ

クダム設置個数は1年目で3.6 か所/世帯、2年目には累計7.2 か所/世帯、3年目には累計10.9 か所/世帯であった。

表 25：チェックダム設置個数の経過年数別変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
合計	125,648 か所	125,442 か所	131,221 か所
(95%CI)	(119,672~131,625)	(118,594~132,290)	(117,714~144,729)
累計		251,090 か所	382,311 か所
(95%CI)		(238,266~263,915)	(355,980~408,644)
1 世帯当たりの適応数	3.6 か所/世帯	7.2 か所/世帯	10.9 か所/世帯
(95%CI)	(3.4~3.8)	(6.8~7.5)	(10.2~11.7)

2) 実践しなかった理由

図 16 に示すように、本プロジェクト開始前にチェックダムを設置しなかった理由は、97.6% (676 世帯) が「技術が不十分だから」と回答している。本プロジェクト開始1年目に同回答は20.8% (50)、2年目に6.3% (15)、3年目に4.7% (2) と年を追うごとに減少している。逆に「補修が必要なガリがない」、「急を要さない」との回答は年を追うごとに増加している。その他の理由のなかでは、「既に設置したガリを補修しているから」との回答が、その他全体の37.7%を占めた。

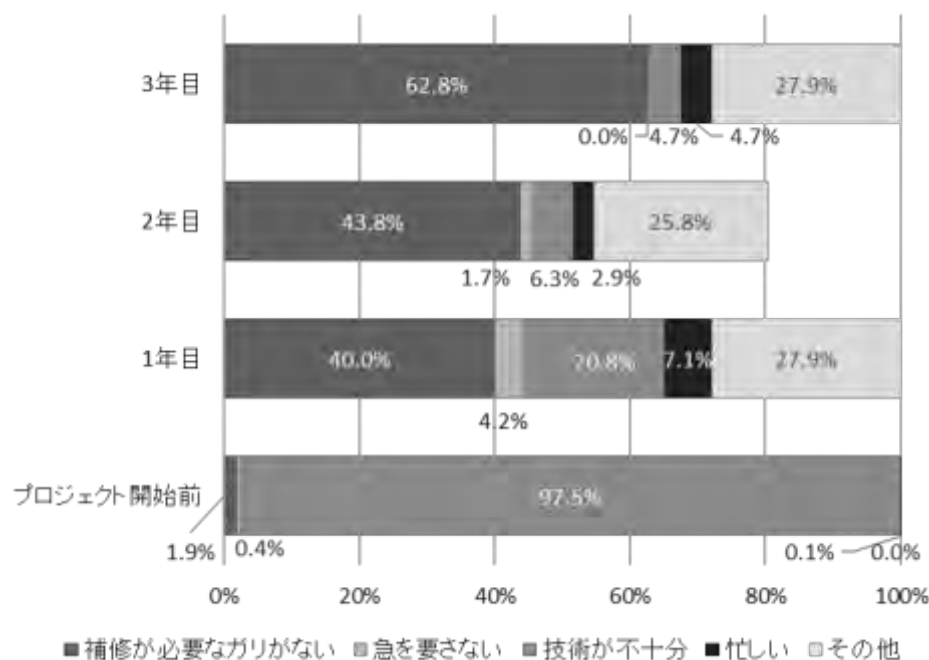


図 16：ガリコントロール技術を実践しなかった理由の経過年数別変化

3) 情報の入手先

ガリコントロール技術を実践した世帯に対し、情報の入手先を尋ねた。植林、土壌保全技術と同様に、「COVAMS の LF」が80.4% (621 世帯) ともっとも多く、次いで「CCO (普及員)」8.9% (67 世帯)、「COVAMS」6.4% (49 世帯) であった。育林、土壌保全技術と比べて、LF を情報の

入手先と回答した世帯がより多い。本プロジェクトの LF が住民への情報網として十分に活用されている。

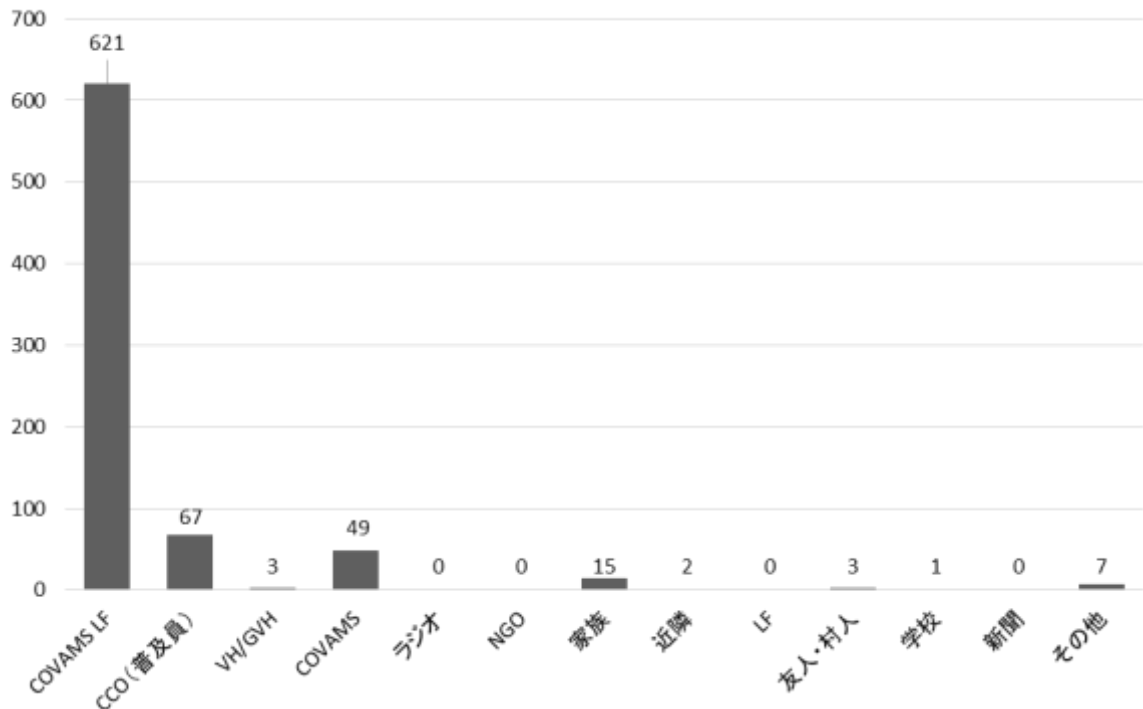


図 17：ガリコントロール技術を実践する住民が情報を入手する媒体または対象

4) 活動の便益

ガリコントロール技術を実践している世帯を対象として、ガリコントロールの便益について尋ねたところ、1,110 の回答を得た（複数回答可）（図 18）。収量増加と土壌流出防止のグラフについて、色の濃い順に「強くそう思う」、「中程度そう思う」、「少しそう思う」となっている。「土壌浸食の防止」を挙げた回答が 48.0%（533 回答）と最も多く、ついでその他の回答から「圃場の再生」19.5%（216 回答）、「水の流れるスピードを弱めるため」9.8%（109 回答）、「収量の増加」9.2%（101 回答）、「土壌肥沃度の維持」7.8%（87 回答）、「土壌水分の保持」5.0%（55 回答）であった。

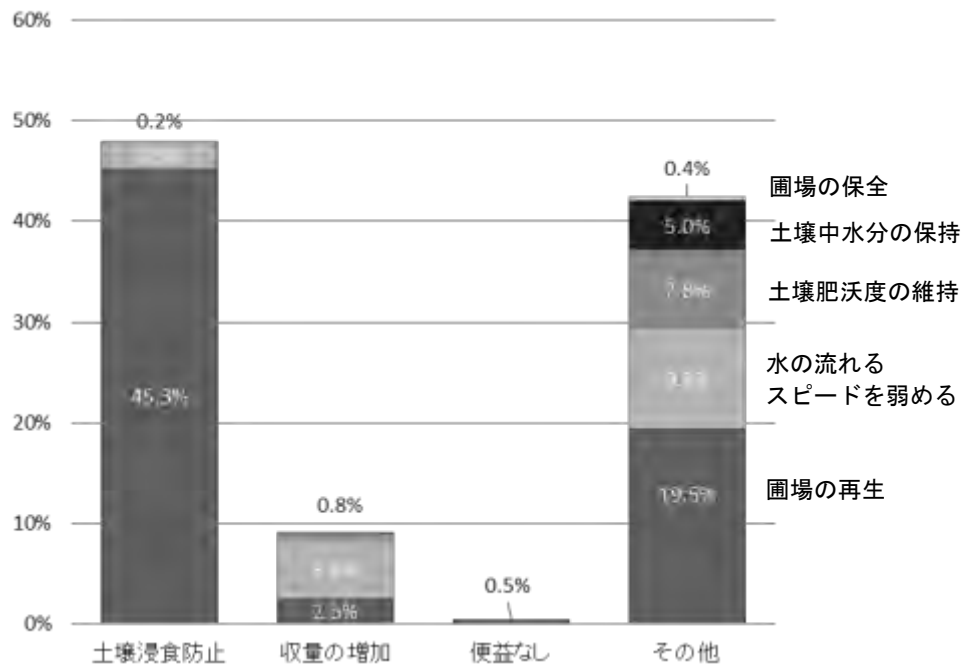


図 18：活動の便益

VI. COVAMS アプローチの有効性分析

I. 研修実施率・研修参加率とアプローチの有効性

本調査の結果、COVAMS アプローチを実施した対象地域において、LF による研修実施率は 100% であり、住民による研修の参加率は研修 2 年目で 90% 以上に達していることが判明した。また各技術の情報入手先に関する質問でも LF が主な情報先と回答した世帯は、育林技術で 55.6%、土壌保全技術 68.2%、ガリコントロール技術 80.4% であり、LF や SLF から住民へ技術が均等に伝達されていることが検証された。その結果、COVAMS アプローチで根幹である「機会均等」が、ほぼ全ての住民に対して保証されていることが示された。

(1) 研修実施率

COVAMS アプローチが農民による流域保全活動の促進に資するアプローチなのか、研修実施率の観点から考察する。調査対象者に選定された LF または SLF が含まれる世帯を対象として、それらの LF (もしくは SLF) が住民に研修を実施したかを尋ねた。その結果、研修の実施率は 3 技術のすべてで 100% であり、実施方法としてはグループを対象とする研修を実施する傾向が強く、育林と土壌保全で 70% 以上、ガリコントロールで 63.3% (表 5) であった。このことから、LF や SLF から住民に研修を通して技術が伝えられる機会が保証されていることが示された。3 技術の情報入手先を調査対象者に尋ねた結果を示す図 11、図 14、図 17 においても、LF が住民にとって 3 技術についての主要な情報入手先であることがわかる。

(2) 研修参加率

LF と SLF を含まない調査対象世帯に対して質問した研修参加率の観点から考察する。

育林、土壌保全、ガリコントロールについての 3 研修への住民による参加率は、いずれも本プロジェクトの活動開始 2 年目に 90%以上に達している（表 26）。このことから、全ての住民に対する研修実施を目指す、COVAMS アプローチの中核的な考え方が実践されていることが検証された。

表 26：研修参加率の経年変化

	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
育林研修の参加率	81.5%	90.3%	88.2%
土壌保全研修の参加率	88.8%	95.1%	97.0%
ガリコントロール研修の参加率	85.9%	94.0%	97.0%

2. 技術の実践率と COVAMS アプローチの有効性

農民による流域保全活動を促進する 3 技術の実践率が経過年別にどのように変化したのかを、表 27 に示した。

技術の実践率は、世帯単位の苗木生産を除き、全ての技術において COVAMS アプローチによる活動を開始した 1 年目で 50%を超えている。実践率の伸び率は本プロジェクトが活動を開始した 1 年目で最も高く、2 年目と 3 年目の実践率の変化には統計的な有意差が認められない。このことは、活動対象とする同一村での普及活動は、1 年目ですでに住民による実践率が確保されており、COVAMS アプローチの費用対効果を高めるためには、COVAMS アプローチの同一村での活動実施は 2 年間で終了し、新たな対象村へ移ることが適切であると結論づける。

なお、住民による技術の実践率の基準として 50%を設定した根拠については、以下のとおりである。

2015 年 4 月に執筆された「COVAMS II プロジェクト 中間評価 COVAMS アプローチの有効性分析」（以下、2015 年有効性分析調査報告書）に次の記載がある。

「各村における実践農家数の目標値を最大 50%とする。これは新技術の普及モデルにおける「Early Adapter」と「Early Majority」の領域の割合と同等である。残りの農家の実践普及には時間がかかると示されており、それらの農家に対する普及活動は当該アプローチの実施後にそれぞれの普及員が通常の普及活動で、時間をかけながら実施していくものとする。ただし 50%はあくまでも目安であり、この値が達成されなければ他の村に移動しないというものではない。」（「COVAMS プロジェクト 中間評価 COVAMS アプローチの有効性分析」2015 年 4 月）」

この考えは、社会学者のエヴェリット・ロジャースが 1962 年の書籍『Diffusion of Innovation』で提唱したイノベーション理論を基にしている。ロジャースは、「普及とはイノベーションが社会システムのメンバー間に時間をかけて特定のチャネルを介して伝達されるプロセスである」⁹と述べた。

⁹ 参考文献：エヴェリット・ロジャース（1990）『イノベーション普及学』青池慎一・宇野善康監訳、

本報告書においては、上記のイノベーション理論に基づいて執筆された 2015 年有効性分析調査報告書の目安を踏襲し、COVAMS アプローチの普及戦略とする。

(1) 苗木生産と植林の実践率とアプローチの有効性

苗木生産の実践率は本プロジェクトの活動開始前に 60.8%であったものが、本プロジェクト開始後 1 年目で 83.8%に増加した。その内訳をみると、世帯単位での苗木生産が 13.6%、グループ単位で 54.8%、両単位で 15.4%であった。植林の実践率は、本プロジェクト開始前に 65.2%であったものが、本プロジェクト開始後 1 年目に 84.6%に増加した。このことから、苗木生産と植林の実践率に COVAMS アプローチは一定の効果を果たしたと言える。

本プロジェクトによる活動を開始して 1 年目から 3 年目までのあいだに、苗木生産と植林の実践率に統計的有意差は認められなかった。また、COVAMS アプローチによる LF や SLF による研修は、グループ単位での苗木生産の実践率により強く影響を与えることが分かった。本プロジェクトによる活動の開始前から、苗木生産や植林の実践率が比較的高い背景としては、他の NGO や政府普及員によって定期的に啓発活動や植林キャンペーンが実施されてきたためであろう。

活動を実施した 2 年間で対象の 35,000 世帯が生産した苗木の合計本数は約 233 万本、同 2 年間の 1 世帯当たりの平均苗木生産本数は 67 本であった。同 2 年間の植林本数の合計は約 362 万本、2 年間の 1 世帯当たりの植林本数は世帯単位で 84 本、グループ単位で 19 本であった。

2015 年有効性分析調査報告書によると、「1 名の LF を養成する費用は 4 県の中間値で約 US\$35¹⁰」とあり、1 名の LF は 15 世帯を担当する。1 名の LF は育林、土壌保全、ガリコントロールの 3 技術を担当するが、仮に育林技術のみとして算出した場合、同 2 年間で 15 世帯の農家が 1,005 本 (67 本×15 世帯) の苗木を生産するのに要した費用は US\$35 ドルであり、苗木 100 本あたりの生産コストは US\$3.5 (K1,340~K1,390) である。同様の考え方で、同 2 年間で 15 世帯の農家が 1,545 本 ((84+19) 本×15 世帯) を植林するのに要した費用が US\$35 ドルなので、植林 100 本あたりのコストは US\$2.3 (K874~K906) である。苗木生産コストと植林コストの観点から、COVAMS アプローチは一定の有効性があると言える。

一方で、同 2 年間に世帯単位とグループ単位の双方で植林された合計本数を場所ごとにみると、多い順に「菜園・畑周辺」82.5 万本、「植林地」76 万本、「家屋敷」41.5 万本、「河川敷」23 万本、「山」5.2 万本となる。住民による主体的な植林を促す COVAMS アプローチでは、住民の都合によって植林場所が決まるため、流域管理に有効な場所により多くの本数が確実に植林されるとは言えない。COVAM アプローチを通じた住民参加による植林活動に加え、土地利用計画などの政策的な裏付けや予算措置、共有地植林の利益分配などが総合的に整理される必要がある。

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¹⁰ 自動二輪車減価償却費、CCO と TST への燃料費、研修時の昼食代、マニュアル印刷費、研修用具費が含まれる。算出は現地通貨クワチャを用いて算出されており、K13,500~K14,000 を当時のレート K400/US\$ で計算し、US\$35 と計算されている。

(2) 土壌保全技術の実践率とアプローチの有効性

土壌保全技術には等高線栽培と堆厩肥の導入を含んでおり、その実践率は本プロジェクトの活動開始後 1 年目に 8 割を超える。先に記載のとおり、等高線農法には 4 つの技術が含まれ、一作期にこれら全ての技術を実践することは難しいことから、すべての技術の実践には時間を必要とする。しかし表 15 と図 17 から、住民によるメイズの収量増加への経済的な期待から、土壌保全技術は活動の 1 年目から高い実践率を示したと説明できる。この事実から、COVAMS アプローチは土壌保全技術の普及に一定の有効性が認められた。

(3) ガリコントロールの実践率とアプローチの有効性

住民によるガリコントロール技術の実践率は、本プロジェクト開始前に 8.9%であったが、開始後 1 年目に 69.1%に増加し、3 年目に 70%を超えた。実践率の伸び率は他の技術を比較しても高い。そのいっぽうで技術の実践率が 7 割程度に留まっているのは、チェックダムを設置するには身近にある石や木などの材料を自分で集める必要があり、その調達に労力と時間がかかるためだと考えられる。図 16 に示したように、ガリコントロール技術を実践しなかった理由で 1 番多いのは、プロジェクト実施前には「技術が不十分」(97.6%)であったのが、3 年目には「補修が必要なガリがない」(62.8%)に変化した。図 18 に示したように、ガリコントロールの便益は回答の多い順に「土壌浸食の防止（強くそう思う）」、「圃場の再生」、「水の流れるスピードを弱める」ためであることから、こうしたチェックダムを設置する便益は住民へ適切に理解されていると言える。

表 27 : COVAMS アプローチによる 3 技術の実践率の経過年数別変化

	プロジェクト			
	開始前	1 年目	2 年目	3 年目
苗木生産				
実践率	60.8%	83.8%	89.6%	90.7%
世帯での実践率	24.1%	13.6%	21.2%	27.9%
グループでの実践率	35.5%	54.8%	48.0%	46.4%
両単位での実践率	0.7%	15.4%	20.4%	16.4%
植林				
実践率	65.2%	84.6%	88.3%	87.9%
世帯での実践率	N.A	63.2%	68.7%	64.3%
グループでの実践率	N.A	48.2%	50.4%	45.7%
土壌保全技術				
等高線農法の実践率	15.8%	82.8%	92.4%	96.4%
堆厩肥の圃場投入実践率	20.1%	84.1%	94.5%	94.3%
チェックダム				
実践率	8.9%	69.1%	69.0%	72.1%

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Questionnaire Survey for Impact Study on COVAMS Approach in 2016

Date : / / (DD/MM/YYYY)

Sample No : _____, Researcher : _____

Informant : _____ (_____),

District: Blantyre / Balaka / Mwanza / Neno, TA: _____, Village: _____,

Q1: Attribute

Please check attributes of the head of household.

A1. Gender	A2. Age	A3. No. of HH members		A4. Social stratum of the HH
1. Male, 2. Female	_____ years old	1. _____ persons (2.M _____, 3. F _____)		1. GVH, 2. VH, 3. SLF (_____), 4. LF (_____), 5. Others(_____)
A5. Ethnic group		A6. Literate		A7. Education level
1. Chewa, 2. Ngoni, 3. Yawo, 4. Others (specify _____)		1. Chichewa, 2. English, 3. Non		1. 0, 2. 1~3 years, 3. 4~6 years, 4. 7~10 years, 5 more than 10 years
A8. Main income resource of the HH	A9. Mobile phone	A10. Place to charge mobile phone	A11. Transportation property	
1. Agriculture, 2. Employee, 3. Commerce 4. Others(_____)	1.Non, 2.TNM, 3.Airtel, 4.Others(_____)	1.Home, 2.Shop, 3.Other(_____)	1.Motor bike, 2.Bicycle, 3.Cattle carriage(ox cart), 4.Others (_____)	

Q2. Popularity level of COVAMS

Do you know COVAMS Project?	B1	1. Yes 2. No
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What COVAMS activities do you know?	B2	1. Tree growing, 2. Soil conservation, 3. Gully control, 4. Others (_____)
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Do you know COVAMS LF of your Limana?	B3	1. Yes 2. No
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Q3. Implementation of training (If you are COVAMS LF or SLF)

When were you assigned as LF and SLF? Did you implement the trainings to your fellow farmers?

Season	Assignment		Implementation of training					
			Tree growing		Soil conservation		Gully control	
2015/16	C1	1. LF 2. SLF	C2	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C3	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C4	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know
2014/15	C5	1. LF 2. SLF	C6	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C7	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C8	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know
2013/14	C9	1. LF 2. SLF	C10	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C11	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C12	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know

↓ if Yes

How do you conduct the training?

Season	Tree growing			Soil conservation			Gully control		
2015/16	C13	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C14	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C15	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know			
2014/15	C16	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C17	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C18	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know			
2013/14	C19	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C20	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C21	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know			

Q4. Participation of trainings (If you are not COVAMS LF nor SLF)

Did you attend training courses provided by LFs organized in COVAMS II

Season	Tree growing				Soil conservation				Gully control			
2015/16	D1	1. Yes	D2	Reason ()	D5	1. Yes	D6	Reason ()	D9	1. Yes	D10	Reason ()
		2. No	D3	Reason ()		2. No	D7	Reason ()		2. No	D11	Reason ()
	D4	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D8	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D12	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group		

Reason to attend: 1. Capacity development in general, 2. Interested to the technique, 3. The training is conducted, 4. To increase a productivity/income 5. To protect the land, 6. To diversify the income 7. Others (specify)

Reason NOT to attend: 1. COVAMS approach hadn't started, 2. Had mastered the technique, 3. Did not know there was a training, 4. Not interested, 5. Too busy to attend, 6. Others (specify)

2014/15	D13	1. Yes	D14	Reason ()	D17	1. Yes	D18	Reason ()	D21	1. Yes	D22	Reason ()
		2. No	D15	Reason ()		2. No	D19	Reason ()		2. No	D23	Reason ()
	D16	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D20	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D24	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group		

2013/14	D25	1. Yes	D26	Reason ()	D29	1. Yes	D30	Reason ()	D33	1. Yes	D34	Reason ()
		2. No	D27	Reason ()		2. No	D31	Reason ()		2. No	D35	Reason ()
	D28	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D32	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D36	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group		

Q5. Practice of tree growing**Q5-1 Practice in 2015/2016 (tree growing)**

1. Did you raise seedlings?	E1	1. Yes, by individual	2. Yes, by group	3. Both	4. No	E2	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. Don't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How many seedlings did you raise?	E3	() seedlings
How did you use them?	E4	1. Planting: () seedlings 2. Selling: () seedlings, 3. Donating: () seedlings

if the answer of E1 is 1, 3 or 4

2. Did you plant seedlings?	E5	1. Yes	2. No	E6	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How did you get the seedlings?	E7	1. Produced by yourself 2. Purchased 3. Donated 4. Others (specify)
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Where and how many did you plant seedlings?	E8	1. Woodlot () seedlings 2. Garden () seedlings 3. Homestead () seedlings 4. River bank () seedlings
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3. Did you make direct sowing?	E9	Where and how many?	E10	1. Woodlot () stations 2. Garden () stations 3. Homestead () stations 4. River bank () stations
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4. Did you make natural regeneration?	E11	1. Yes 2. No	E12	if Yes () Ac
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if the answer of E1 is 2 or 3

What category of group?	E13	1. Village 2. Limana 3. Group	No. of members?	E14	() persons
How many seedlings did you raise?	E15	() seedlings			
How did you use them?	E16	1. Sold to outsider: () seedlings 2. Shared by group: () seedlings 3. Planted as community: () seedlings			
Where did you plant as community ?	E17	1. Woodlot: () seedlings 2. River bank: () seedlings			
Did you make direct sowing?	E18	1. Yes () stations in communal land 2. Yes () stations in other land 3. No			
Did you make natural regenerations in communal land?	E19	1. Yes 2. No			
	E20	if Yes () lands	E21	Total: () Ac	

Q5-2. Practice in 2014/15 (tree growing)

1. Did you raise seedlings?	E22	1. Yes, by individual 2. Yes, by group 3. Both 4. No	E23	Reason ()
Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. Don't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)				
How many seedlings did you raise?	E24	() seedlings		
How did you use them?	E25	1. Planting () seedlings 2. Selling () seedlings, 3. Donating () seedlings		
if the answer of E22 is 1, 3 or 4				
2. Did you plant seedlings?	E26	1. Yes 2. No	E27	Reason ()
Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)				
How did you get the seedlings?	E28	1. Producing by yourself 2. Purchasing 3. Donating 4. Others (specify)		
Where and how many did you plant seedlings?	E29	1. Woodlot () seedlings	2. Garden () seedlings	3. Homestead () seedlings
		4. River bank () seedlings		
3. Did you make direct sowing?	E30	Where and how many?	E31	1. Woodlot () stations
	1. Yes 2. No			2. Garden () stations
				3. Homestead () stations
				4. River bank () stations
4. Did you make natural regeneration?	E32	1. Yes 2. No	E33	if Yes () Ac

if the answer of E22 is 2 or 3

What category of group?	E34	1. Village 2. Limana 3. Group	No. of members?	E35	() persons
How many seedlings did you raise?	E36	() seedlings			
How did you use them?	E37	1. Sold to outsider: () seedlings 2. Shared by group: () seedlings 3. Planted as community: () seedlings			
Where did you plant as community ?	E38	1. Woodlot: () seedlings 2. River bank: () seedlings 3. Others (specify) () seedlings			

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Did you make direct sowing?	E39	1. Yes () stations in communal land 2. Yes () stations in other land 3. No
Did you make natural regenerations in communal land?	E40	1. Yes 2. No
	E41	↳ if Yes () lands E42 () Ac

Q5-3. Practice in 2013/14 (tree growing)

1. Did you raise seedlings?	E43	1. Yes, by individual	2. Yes, by group	3. Both	4. No	E44	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. Don't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How many seedlings did you raise?	E45	() seedlings
How did you use them?	E46	1. Planting () seedlings 2. Selling () seedlings, 3. Donating () seedlings

if the answer of E43 is 1, 3 or 4

2. Did you plant seedlings?	E47	1. Yes	2. No	E48	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How did you get the seedlings?	E49	1. Producing by yourself 2. Purchasing 3. Donating 4. Others (specify)
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Where and how many did you plant seedlings?	E50	1. Woodlot () seedlings	2. Garden () seedlings	3. Homestead () seedlings	4. River bank () seedlings
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3. Did you make direct sowing?	E51	Where and how many?	E52	1. Woodlot () stations	2. Garden () stations	3. Homestead () stations	4. River bank () stations
	1. Yes 2. No						

4. Did you make natural regeneration?	E53	1. Yes 2. No	E54	if Yes () Ac
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if the answer of E1 is 2 or 3

What category of group?	E55	1. Village 2. Limana 3. Group	No. of members?	E56	() persons
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How many seedlings did you raise?	E57	() seedlings
How did you use them?	E58	1. Sold to outsider: () seedlings 2. Shared by group: () seedlings 3. Planted as community: () seedlings
Where did you plant as community?	E59	1. Woodlot: () seedlings 2. River bank: () seedlings
Did you make direct sowing?	E60	1. Yes () stations in communal land 2. Yes () stations in other land 3. No
Did you make natural regenerations in communal land?	E61	1. Yes 2. No
	E62	↳ if Yes () lands E63 () Ac

Q5-4. Practice before COVAMS II

Did you raise seedlings?	E64	1. Yes, by individual, 2. Yes, by group, 3. Both, 4. No
	E65	if No, Reason ()

Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Didn't know the techniques, 3. Didn't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

Did you plant seedlings?	E66	1. Yes 2. No	E67	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Didn't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

Q5-5. Information channel (tree growing) if the informant practiced the technique (multiple choice)

How did you learn the technique?/	E68	1. Radio 2. Newspaper 3. Family 4. Neighbour 5. COVAMS
Who did you teach the technique?		6. COVAMS LF 7. LF 8. Others (specify)

Q6. Practice of soil conservation**Q6-1. Practice in 2015/16 (soil conservation)**

1. Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F1	1. Yes 2. No			
How wide is your conserved area?	F2	1. less than 80 cm: () ac, 2. 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: () ac			
What kinds of technique did you use?	F3	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row			
Did you apply manure?	F4	1. Yes () ac , 2. No			
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F5	1. Yes () ac , 2. No			
3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F6 () bags	F7 () kg/bag	F8 () kg	F9 () ac	F10 () kg/ac

Q6-2. Practice in 2014/15 (soil conservation)

1. Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F11	1. Yes 2. No
How wide is your conserved area?	F12	1. less than 80 cm: () ac, 2. 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: () ac
What kinds of technique did you use?	F13	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row

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Did you apply manure?	F14	1. Yes ()ac , 2. No
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F15	1. Yes ()ac , 2. No
3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F16 () bags	F17 () kg/bag
	F18 () kg	F19 () ac
	F20 () kg/ac	

Q6-3. Practice in 2013/14 (soil conservation)

Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F21	1.Yes 2.No
How wide is your conserved area?	F22	1. less than 80 cm: ()ac, 2. 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: ()ac
What kinds of technique did you use?	F23	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row
Did you apply manure?	F24	1. Yes ()ac 2. No
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F25	1. Yes ()ac 2. No
3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F26 () bags	F27 () kg/bag
	F28 () kg	F29 () ac
	F30 () kg/ac	

Q6-4. Practice before COVAMS II (soil conservation)

1. Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F31	1.Yes 2.No
How wide is your conserved area?	F32	1. less than 80 cm: ()ac, 2, 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: ()ac
What kinds of technique did you use?	F33	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row
Did you apply manure?	F34	1. Yes ()ac 2. No
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F35	1. Yes ()ac 2. No

3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F36 ()	F37 ()	F38 ()	F39 ()	F40 ()
	bags	kg/bag	kg	ac	kg/ac

Q6-5. Information channel (soil conservation) if the informant practiced the technique (multiple choice)

How did you learn the technique?/ Who did you teach the technique?	F41	1. Radio 2. Newspaper 3. Family 4. Neighbour 5. COVAMS 6. COVAMS LF 7. LF 8. Others (specify)
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Q6-6. Benefit (soil conservation)

What benefit(s) have you obtained by practicing soil conservation technique? (Multiple choice)

F42: Benefit			
1 Increased the yield drastically	3 Increased the yield a little	5 Stopped soil erosion to some extent	7 Other (specify) ()
2 Increased the yield to some extent	4 Stopped soil erosion drastically	6 Stopped soil erosion a little	8 No benefit obtained

Q7. Practice of gully control

Q7-1 Practice in 2015/16 (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G1	1.Yes	2.No	G2	Reason ()
Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent 3. Technique insufficient, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)					
How many place?	G3	() places			
What distance between check dams?	G4	() m, () m, () m			

Q7-2. Practice in 2014/15 (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G5	1.Yes	2.No	G6	Reason ()
Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent 3. Technique insufficient, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)					
How many place?	G7	() places			
What distance between check dams?	G8	() m, () m, () m			

Q7-3. Practice in 2013/14 (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G9	1.Yes	2.No	G10	Reason ()
Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent					

3. Don't know the technique, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)

How many place?	G11	() places
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What distance between check dams?	G12	() m, () m, () m
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Q7-4. Practice before COVAMS II (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G13	1. Yes, 2. No	G14	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent 3. Don't know the technique, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)

Q7-5. Information channel (gully control) if the informant practiced the technique (multiple choice)

How did you learn the technique?/ Who did you teach the technique?	G15	1. Radio 2. Newspaper 3. Family 4. Neighbour 5. COVAMS 6. COVAMS LF 7. LF 8. Others (specify)
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Q7-6. Benefit

What benefit(s) have you obtained by practicing gulley control? (Multiple choice)

G16: Benefit			
1 Stopped soil erosion drastically	3 Stopped soil erosion a little extent	5 Increased the yield to some extent	7 Other (specify) ()
2 Stopped soil erosion to some extent	4 Increased the yield drastically	6 Increased the yield a little	8 No benefit obtained

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Abbreviations

Acronym	Term in Full
CCO	Conservation Coordination Officer
COVAMS	Project for Community Vitalization and Afforestation in Middle Shire
MOAIWD	Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development
LF	Lead Farmer
SLF	Senior Lead Farmer
ToT	Training of Trainers
TST	Technical Support Team

*HOUSEHOLD SURVEY REPORT: Analysis of the Effectiveness of the COVAMS Approach***I. Executive Summary**

The project conducted a household survey to analyze the effectiveness of the COVAMS approach. In total, 760¹ households were surveyed, and these were randomly selected from 35,000 households in the four target districts of Balaka, Blantyre, Mwanza, and Neno by employing the stratified multistage sampling method. The survey respondents provided answers relating to their practice of three techniques—tree growing, soil conservation, and gully reclamation—for each year from 2013 to 2015.

The project developed the questionnaire with counterparts, and it was used for all household surveys conducted as part of the project in 2014. The project also carried out orientation sessions² at the district and village levels. The questionnaire was pre-tested in a non-targeted village prior to the main survey of the villages targeted by the project. The survey was carried out by four researchers under the supervision of Japanese experts from June 20 to July 22, 2016.

The following summarizes the results of the survey.

- i) **The three (3) techniques** introduced by the COVAMS approach and the Lead Farmer (LF) **were recognized by almost every (more than 99%) household surveyed.**
- ii) **The participation rate in the training on the three techniques exceeded 80%** from the first year of intervention and over 90% in the second year.
- iii) The villagers participated in the training courses as a group, and the LFs and Senior Lead Farmer (SLFs) organized the training courses as a group.
- iv) **The practice rate for the three techniques exceeded 50% in the first year of intervention.** For instance, the soil conservation technique and building check dams were rapidly adopted from as low as 10–20% before the project intervention to 70–80% in the first year of intervention. This means that the practice rate of all three techniques exceeded the target of the 50% threshold based on the “Diffusion of Innovation”³ theory within the first year of intervention.

The practice of each technique is summarized below.

- v) For the tree growing technique, **the practice rate for seedling production and tree planting exceeded 80%** in the first year of intervention. Seedling production in household units had never exceeded 50%; therefore, the training provided by the LF and SLF emphasized seedling production by group more strongly than by household and by both units (group and household). An estimated 67 seedlings per household were produced over the two years. The total production by the targeted 35,000 households was estimated as 2.33 million.

¹ The number of households surveyed is a statistically significant number.

² At the district level, the project Japanese expert facilitated the session for the district officers, village heads, and senior lead farmer (SLF). At the village level, the village head and SLF conducted the session.

³ Everett M. Rogers, a professor of rural sociology, popularized the theory in his book “Diffusion of Innovations.” Rogers categorizes adopters into five groups in the process of the spread/diffusion of a new idea. The groups ordered from the earliest adopters are as follows: i) Innovator (2.5%), ii) Early Adopters (13.5%), iii) Early Majority (34.0%), iv) Late Majority (34.0%), and v) Laggards (16.0%).

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The number of trees planted over the two years is estimated at 103 per household, and the 35,000 targeted households planted 3.62 million trees.

- vi) **The households practicing one of the four techniques on contour farming** such as contour ridging, swale, box ridges, and hedgerows **exceeded 90%** in the second year of the intervention. The practice rate for each of the four contour farming techniques was limited to 20–30% annually. This indicates that new techniques were gradually adopted. Single households practiced contour farming on 1.5 acres (i.e., 0.6 hectares) over a two-year period. The total area covered by the targeted 35,000 households is estimated as 54,000 acres (i.e., 22,000 hectares).
- vii) **The practice rate of gully reclamation techniques** (i.e., building check dams) **exceeded 70%** in the first year. A single household built an average of five check dams annually, and seven check dams per household were built over the initial two-year period. The total number of check dams built by the 35,000 households over the two-year intervention period is estimated as 251,000.

The results summarized above demonstrate the effectiveness of the COVAMS approach with regard to the increasing practice rate of the three techniques, indicating a high level of penetration by the farmers.

II. Purpose of the survey

The survey aimed to measure the effectiveness and outcomes of the COVAMS approach for promoting Catchment Management through Farmers Activities (CMFA).

III. Survey method

The survey was conducted in the four target districts of Balaka, Blantyre, Mwanza, and Neno from June 20 to July 22, 2016 through a questionnaire (see Attachment 1). The total number of target households in the target districts was approximately 35,000 in 230 villages, meaning that the population was large and scattered across entire villages. Therefore, the project employed stratified multistage sampling to ensure economic and operational efficiency in terms of the duration and cost of the survey (travel time and methods of transportation from one village to another, as well as the cost of employing the researchers). The project first sampled 38 villages in the 4 districts and then 20 households within the selected villages. The total number of target respondents was 760 households.

I. Target village

Tables 1 and 2 list the target villages for the survey.

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Table 1: Number of Target Villages and Launch Year in Each District

Target district \ Project launch year				
	2013	2014	2015	Total
Balaka	1	4	2	7
Mwanza	3	3	2	8
Neno	2	6	0	8
Blantyre	1	9	5	15
Total	7	22	9	38

Table 2: List of Villages Surveyed

District	Village	Launch year of the project	Number of H/H	Number of H/H surveyed
Balaka	Masenjere	2013	74	20
	Bamusi	2014	92	20
	Kambadya	2014	214	20
	Mkweya	2014	91	20
	Thamangira	2014	63	20
	Kwalakwata	2015	59	20
	Sami	2015	109	20
Sub-total				140
Mwanza	Chikoleka	2013	225	20
	Kawiliza	2013	463	20
	Tsegulani	2013	232	20
	Kam'phirimo	2014	132	20
	Machilika	2014	155	20
	Stampa	2014	45	20
	Faiti	2015	583	20
	Ng'onzo	2015	194	20
Sub-total				160
Neno	Mulauli	2013	141	20
	Chikungulu	2013	260	20
	Chasesa	2014	259	20
	Mwamdaza	2014	207	20
	Magaleta	2014	255	20
	Dzomodya	2014	342	20
	July	2014	26	20
	Godeni	2014	358	20
Sub-total				160
Blantyre	Chande	2013	210	20
	Jolodani	2014	332	20
	Nakhwala	2014	375	20
	Kutchiri	2014	326	20
	Malenga	2014	503	20
	Jamali	2014	893	20
	Mkumba 1	2014	771	20
	Bota	2014	321	20
	Pindani	2014	140	20
	Wiliamu	2014	91	20
	Ngwaya 1	2015	103	20
	Somba	2015	406	20
	Kayesa	2015	454	20
	M'dala	2015	653	20
	Chombo	2015	319	20
Sub-total				300
Total				760

HOUSEHOLD SURVEY REPORT: Analysis of the Effectiveness of the COVAMS Approach**2. Preparation of survey****(1) Preparation of household list**

The population size was based on lists of household heads in the target village, which were compiled by the project LFs through a door-to-door visit. The villagers selected one LF for every 15 people in each of the target villages. This means that the list compiled by one LF included 15 household heads. The project collated all the lists and constructed a database of all household heads to represent the population size in the target districts.

(2) Deciding on sample size based on population size⁴

Based on the population size, the sample size was calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Sample size (n)} = \frac{\frac{\text{population size}}{\text{margin of error (0.05)}}}{1.96} * \frac{\text{population size} - 1}{\text{Ratio of the population size (1 - population size)}} + 1$$

According to the above formula, the table below shows the minimum sample size for the population size:

Population size	50	100	500	1,000	2,000	5,000	10,000	20,000	50,000	100,000	1,000,000
Sample size	45	81	218	279	323	358	371	378	382	384	385

To measure the sample size for the household survey, the minimum sample size was determined based on the above table. The sample size is statistically effective for random sampling. Moreover, in stratified multistage sampling, a design effect is estimated at 2.0. First, through random sampling, the sample size was calculated as 380 responses and then multiplied by 2.0 to equilibrate design efficiency at 760 responses. Finally, the sample size was determined as 760 households based on the design effect under stratified multistage sampling and the number of responses collected in the survey.

(3) Selection of target villages

As mentioned above, the total sample included 760 households, and the respondents per village was 20 households. This means that 38 villages were surveyed and the total sample size targeted 760 respondents. To sample the villages, varying probability sampling was employed so that units were selected with a probability proportional to the given measure of sample size. The villages to be surveyed were randomly selected with a probability proportional to the number of households as per the household list. A larger village population had a higher probability, because the villages were selected based on probability, which is obtained by dividing the number of households in 1 village by the total 33,518 households in 228 villages as a parameter. An equal number of households were selected from each village among the 38 to ensure an equal probability for the whole population. Table 2 lists the selected villages.

⁴ REFERENCE: JICA (1999). *Survey Report on the Method of Rural Society Survey*, Page 38, Survey Department of Agriculture and Aquaculture Development.

(4) Sampling of target households

Using a table of random numbers, 40 households were randomly selected from the household list of target villages chosen through the procedure described above. The sample size was doubled so that 40 households were selected to cover any deficiency caused by absence on the date of the survey. Finally, 20 households shown in the first part of the list were designated as prioritized households, while the remaining 20 in the second half were supplemental households.

(5) Allocation of researchers

The project employed four researchers recruited from Lilongwe, the national capital. For the duration of the survey, the four researchers were charged with conducting the survey according to the questionnaire and inputting responses into the computer under the supervision of one Japanese expert. The Japanese expert accompanied the researcher as often as possible to manage progress and the quality of the survey.

(6) Orientation workshop for the survey

The Japanese expert held an orientation workshop at the district level for the village heads of the target villages, the SLF⁵, and the Conservation Coordination Officer (CCO). The District Forestry Officer and one member of staff from the Technical Support Team (TST) assisted in the workshop. For Blantyre district, the target villages were divided into two groups, and the one-day orientation was conducted twice, while a one-day workshop was held in each of the other three districts.

At the workshop, the target household lists prepared through the process described above were distributed, the purpose of the survey and survey method explained, and how the date, time, and venue for the survey was decided for each target village was described. Furthermore, the village head and the SLF received guidance on conducting the orientation workshop for the target households at the village level. This workshop aimed to share the purpose, date, time, and venue. At the same time, handouts for the orientation at the village were delivered.

(7) Pre-test

Before administering the questionnaire to the target household, the Japanese expert explained how to conduct the questionnaire in the field and reached a consensus on the words used in the questionnaire including words translated into the Chewa language. Then, the field pre-test was conducted at one village in Blantyre district, where the project target village is located, but which was not a village targeted by the survey. The field pre-test aimed to facilitate familiarity with the questionnaire survey, enhance a consensus on the wording of the questions and responses, and check and improve the questions and responses according to the real answers collected in the field.

⁵ The SLF selected the project LF, who had one year of experience with the project. He/she assisted the CCO in managing and supervising the activities of the LFs. While one SLF was selected from one village, two to four LFs were assigned in terms of the population size and covered area.

HOUSEHOLD SURVEY REPORT: Analysis of the Effectiveness of the COVAMS Approach**3. Implementation of the household survey**

The researchers visited the venue designated by the target village and filled in the questionnaire (see Attachment 1) by conducting a personal interview survey with 20 respondents assembled by the village head and SLF(s) according to the household list. When the household head was absent, one member from the same household (excepting children) received the questionnaire. Through the survey, 760 responses from 38 villages were collected.

4. Determination of the period of years covered

The period of years covered in the survey was determined according to the launch year of the project in the target village. For instance, in a village where the project was launched in 2013, responses to the questionnaire were for three years, namely 2013, 2014, and 2015.

For 2013, the year begins from the month of July, when the LF conducted training for fellow farmers, and ends in June 2014, when maize is harvested. While the cultivation period of maize varies according to when the rain period starts, the sowing period begins in November and the harvest is from May to June the following year. The project held an election and training for the LF from June, so that he could train fellow farmers from August in accordance with the cultivation calendar.

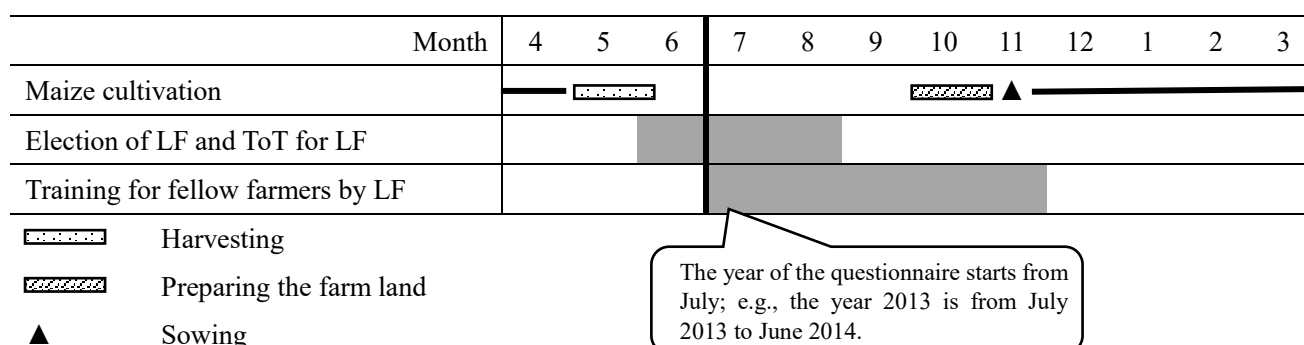


Figure 1: COVAMS Activities According to the Maize Cultivation Calendar and Determination of the Year

IV. Survey limitations**(1) Limited information on external factors**

The questionnaire focused mainly on the adoption of techniques because of restricted costs and time constraints. Therefore, information on external factors such as social status and intervention by other aid organizations was limited. Accordingly, collected data were analyzed using variables such as number of household members, ethnic group, literacy level, and education level.

(2) Average results for years elapsed

The household report presents the outcomes of the analysis by year and number of years elapsed. The responses from respondents do not noticeably vary over the years (1st, 2nd, and 3rd year) from the inaugural

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year of the project. The population was verified according to whether there is a statistically significant difference based on the limited information at the 95% confidence interval, because as mentioned, the information collected on external factors was limited.

(3) Degree of recall bias

The survey questions tended to be repeated to test the annual performance of the adoption of the techniques. To reduce recall bias, the questionnaire was designed in reverse chronological order in the order of the year: 2015, 2014, 2013, and the year before the project, in other words, from recent practice to practice in the past. If respondents intend to respond in a self-serving manner, they provide a different response characterized by egocentric bias; thus, there is the risk that any variation could be attributed to the proportion of the number of recall-based questions. The tests on the data for the report are not considered variables of recall bias because the degree of bias could not be verified.

(4) Difference in meaning between question and response

The study employed a personal interview survey wherein a researcher interviews a respondent according to the questionnaire and fills in the responses. The advantages of a face-to-face interview conducted by a researcher include preventing misunderstanding the questionnaire, preventing the omission of responses, and collecting responses to complicated questions. For example, when a respondent has a different understanding than the researcher, there is a tendency to overestimate the benefits of strategic bias, and based on obsequiousness bias, alter responses in the direction they perceive the researcher desires.

The pre-test tested the questions and responses in terms of the structure of the questionnaire, order of questions, and content of close-ended questions before conducting the actual survey. In addition, before the survey was conducted in each village, and before the questionnaire interview with each respondent, the researchers explained the necessity of conveying the actual situation. The researchers sufficiently explained the meanings of the questions to each respondent. However, it is not common that a survey is free from bias.

V. Survey results and analysis

The survey analyzed the data by year and number of years elapsed. First, adoption of the techniques in each fiscal year was examined by analyzing the data to determine the general tendency of variations. If a significant annual difference was identified, it was assumed that this difference was caused by external factors in the questionnaire including precipitation. Next, adoption was analyzed according to the number of years elapsed, because the target villages had different project intervention periods. Before data analysis, it was verified that there was no significant difference in responses with regard to the number of household members, ethnic group, literacy level, and education level.

HOUSEHOLD SURVEY REPORT: Analysis of the Effectiveness of the COVAMS Approach**1. Household attributes****(1) Ethnic group of the household head**

Figure 2 shows the ethnic groups of the household heads. Of the 759 valid responses, the highest percentage of household heads were *Ngoni* (39.5%: 300 HHs), followed by *Chewa* (26.0%: 197 HHs), *Yao* (15.2%: 115 HHs), *Lonwe* (14.1%: 107 HHs), and *Maganja* (2.5%: 19 HHs). The responses indicated that fewer household heads were of the following groups: *Sena*, *Benbam*, *Chawa*, *Nsena*, *Nyanga*, and *Nyunguwe*.

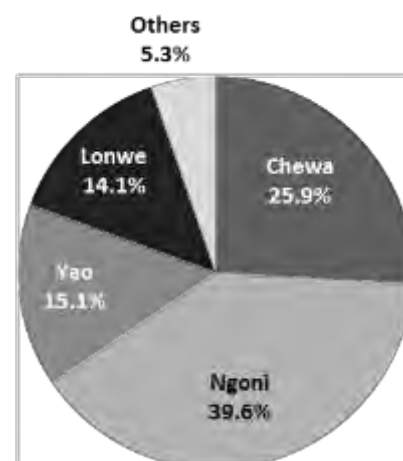


Figure 2: Ethnic Group of Household Head

(2) Social stratum of the household head

As for the ratio of male and female household heads, the number of male-headed households (77.4%) was higher than that of female-headed households (22.6%). The average age of respondents was 43 years (median: 40), and the average household size was 5.5 people (median: 5).

Regarding the village head and/or LF of the respondent's household, 2.4% (18 HHs) of households included the group village head or village head. Furthermore, the ratio of inclusion of the LF assigned by the project or the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation, and Water Development (MOAIWD) or SLF was 5.2% (41 HHs), while the other was 92.3% (703 HHs). Of the 41 responses that included the SLF or LF as household members, the number of project SLFs was 1 of 1 and project LFs was 36 out of 40.

Table 3: Social Stratum of Household Head

	Group village head	Village head	SLF	LF	Others	Total
Respondents	5	13	1	40	702	761
Percentage	0.7%	1.7%	0.1%	5.1%	92.4%	100.0%

(3) Literacy level of the household head

Of the 760 responses, 57.9% (586 HHs) of household heads can read and write only Chichewa, while 33.2% (252 HHs) can read and write both Chichewa and English. The percentage of household heads who are illiterate was 17.0% (172 HHs).



Figure 3: Literacy of Household Head

HOUSEHOLD SURVEY REPORT: Analysis of the Effectiveness of the COVAMS Approach**(4) Main income generation activities of the household**

The main income generation activities (IGAs) were studied through a survey that allowed respondents to choose more than one answer. Of the 760 responses, 55.3% (521 HHs) of the respondents engage in agriculture, 24.1% (227 HHs) in commerce, and 14.3% (135 HHs) in casual labor such as temporary employment to assist cultivation and harvest.

It was supposed that most households engaged in agriculture. However, it was good to find that about a quarter of the households engaged in commerce as a main income resource.

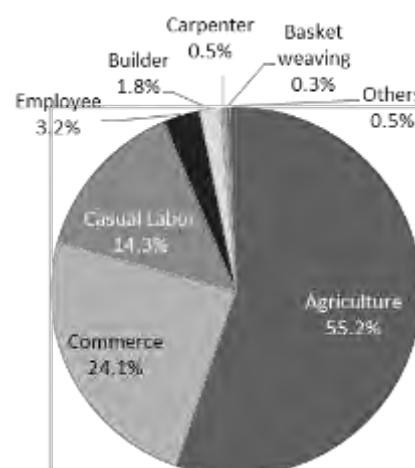


Figure 4: Main IGAs of Household

2. Visibility of techniques introduced by the COVAMS approach**(1) Visibility of techniques**

First, respondents were asked if they knew about the COVAMS project. The 99.5% (755 HHs) who answered “yes” confirmed their awareness of the techniques. Table 4 presents the visibility of each technique in each district. The table indicates that the techniques are well known in all four districts. Moreover, analyzing the number of recognized techniques clarified that most respondents (99.5%: 753 HHs) recognize three of the techniques.

The three techniques introduced through the COVAMS approach were well known by most households in the target villages.

Table 4: Visibility of the Techniques Introduced through the COVAMS Approach

		Tree growing	Soil conservation	Gully reclamation	Others
Balaka	Responses	140	140	139	1
	(ratio)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(99.3%)	(0.7%)
Mwanza	Responses	160	160	160	0
	(ratio)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(0.0%)
Neno	Responses	157	159	158	0
	(ratio)	(98.7%)	(100.0%)	(99.4%)	(0.0%)
Blantyre	Responses	296	296	296	0
	(ratio)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(100.0%)	(0.0%)
Total response number		753	755	753	1
	(ratio)	(99.7%)	(100.0%)	(99.7%)	(0.1%)

(2) Visibility of the LF

The visibility of the COVAMS LF working at the Limana⁶ was investigated. Of the 745 valid responses, 99.7% (752 HHs) responded “yes.” It was clarified that this question specifically pertained to the COVAMS LF, because the MOAIWD also assigned Agriculture LF(s) for each technical subject, and some LF(s) were

⁶ Unit of family members. The project defines “Limana” as one training unit, and selected one LF from one Limana. The average size of a Limana is 15 households.

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assigned by an NGO in the target village. The proportion of COVAMS LF(s) in each district was 100.0% (140 HHs) in Balaka, 99.4% (158 HHs) in Mwanza, 99.4% (158 HHs) in Neno, and 100.0% (295 HHs) in Blantyre.

The COVAMS LF(s) were well known by most households in the target villages.

3. Training and participation

(1) Training by the LF

The trend for training courses on the three techniques was examined for each year. Respondents included households in which LF(s) or SLF(s) were family members. If the project was launched in the village in 2013 and the COVAMS LF was elected in the same year, respondents who received training from the LF in 2013, 2014, and 2015 were included in the study.

In total, 92 responses from the LF and SLF were received: 4 HHs in 2013, 38 HHs in 2014, and 50 HHs in 2015. Furthermore, 100% of the respondents conducted training courses on the three techniques in 2013, 2014, and 2015.

The training unit was identified as individual (individual household), group (multiple members assembled to attend the training), and both. Table 5 provides the results according to technique and year. No individual training was conducted for tree growing, although 5.6% (5 of 90) of respondents received individual training on gully control.

Most LF(s) and SLF(s) conducted group training. The project instructed the LF through the CCO that for the COVAMS approach, group training should be conducted. It was confirmed that the LF(s) followed the instructions appropriately.

Table 5: Training Courses by Year

	Tree growing			Soil conservation			Gully control		
	Individual	Group	Both	Individual	Group	Both	Individual	Group	Both
FY 2013	0 0.0%	3 75.0%	1 25.0%	0 0.0%	3 75.0%	1 25.0%	1 25.0%	1 25.0%	2 50.0%
FY 2014	0 0.0%	29 78.4%	8 21.6%	1 2.7%	27 73.0%	9 24.3%	2 5.4%	24 64.9%	11 29.7%
FY 2015	0 0.0%	37 75.5%	12 24.5%	1 2.0%	35 71.4%	13 26.5%	2 4.1%	32 65.3%	15 30.6%
Total respondents	0	69	21	2	65	23	5	57	28
Ratio	0.0%	76.7%	23.3%	2.2%	72.2%	25.6%	5.6%	63.3%	31.1%

(2) Participation

The tendency in participation in the training courses on the three techniques was investigated for each year with respondents excluding households with LF(s) or SLF(s) as family members. If the project was

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launched in the village in 2013, respondents who attended the training in 2013, 2014, and 2015 were included.

The rate of participation in the training on the three techniques was more than 80% in the first year and exceeded 90% in the second year. The increase from the first to second year differs significantly ($P < 0.01$), while the variation from the second to third year does not differ significantly ($P > 0.1$).

The high participation rate indicates that the three techniques introduced through COVAMS retained a high level of interest from the farmers.

1) Participation in training on tree growing

Table 6 presents the participation rate for the training on tree growing by fiscal year. The participation rate gradually increased at a stable rate: 76.3% in 2013, 82.8% in 2014, and 89.5% in 2015. Most households attended the training, similar to the tendency shown in Table 5.

		FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Number of participants (Valid respondents)		103 (135)	447 (540)	636 (711)
Participation rate		76.3%	82.8%	89.5%
Training unit	Individual	2 1.9%	11 2.5%	30 4.7%
	Group	101 98.1%	436 97.5%	606 95.3%

Table 7 shows the participation rate for training on tree growing training by years elapsed. The participation rate for the first year was 81.5%, for the second year 90.3% (8.8% increase), and for the third year 88.2% (2.2% decrease). The increase from the first to second year shows a significant difference ($P < 0.001$), while the decrease from the second to third year shows no significant difference ($P > 0.1$).

In total, 80% of respondents attended the training in the first year, and 90% in the second year, indicating a high level of participation.

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Number of participants (Valid respondents)	583 (715)	484 (536)	119 (135)
Participation rate	81.5%	90.3%	88.2%
(95% CI)	(78.7–84.4)	(87.8–92.8)	(82.7–93.6)

2) Participation in training on soil conservation

Table 8 presents the participation rate for training on soil conservation by fiscal year. The participation rate gradually increased from 83.6% in 2013, to 88.3% in 2014, and 96.3% in 2015. Most households attended the training, similar to the tendency shown for the training on tree growing in Table 7.

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Table 8: Participation in Training on Soil Conservation by Fiscal Year

		FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Number of participants (Valid respondents)		112 (134)	476 (539)	685 (711)
Participation rate		83.6%	88.3%	96.3%
Training unit	Individual	2	15	44
		1.8%	3.2%	6.4%
	Group	110	461	641
		98.2%	96.9%	93.6%

Table 9 shows the participation rate for training on soil conservation by years elapsed. The participation rate gradually increased, although the rate of increase from the second to third year was quite slow: the first year was 88.8%, the second 95.1% (6.4% increase), and the third was 97.0% (1.9% increase). The increase from the first to the second year shows a significant difference ($P < 0.001$), while the increase from the second to third year shows no significant difference ($P > 0.1$).

Table 9: Participation in Training on Soil Conservation by Years Elapsed

		1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Number of participants (Valid respondents)		631 (711)	508 (534)	131 (135)
Participation rate		88.8%	95.1%	97.0%
(95% CI)		(86.4–91.1)	(93.3–97.0)	(94.2–99.9)

3) Participation in training on gully control

Table 10 presents the participation rate for training on gully control by fiscal year. The participation rate gradually increased from 82.8% in 2013, to 85.4% in 2014, and 95.1% in 2015. Most households attended the training, similar to the tendencies in the other two training courses, as described in the previous sections.

Table 10: Participation in Training on Gully Control by Fiscal Year

		FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Number of participants (Valid respondents)		111 (134)	462 (541)	676 (711)
Participation rate		82.8%	85.4%	95.1%
Training unit	Individual	3	12	38
		2.7%	2.6%	5.6%
	Group	108	450	638
		97.3%	97.4%	94.4%

Table 11 shows the participation rate for training on gully control by years elapsed. The participation rate gradually increased from 85.9% in the first year, to 94.0% (8.1% increase) in the second year, and 97.0% (3.0% increase) in the third year. Similar to the other two types of training, the increase from the first to second year shows a significant difference ($P < 0.001$), while the increase from the second to third year shows no significant difference ($P > 0.1$).

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Table 11: Participation in Training on Gully Control by Years Elapsed

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Number of participants (Valid respondents)	611 (711)	501 (533)	130 (134)
Participation rate	85.9%	94.0%	97.0%
(95% CI)	(83.3–88.4)	(92.0–96.0)	(94.1–99.9)

Based on the results above, 80% of the target households in the first year and 90% in the second year attended all three training courses introduced through the COVAMS approach.

4) Reasons for attending the training

Based on a survey that allowed the respondents to choose more than one answer, Figure 5 shows the reasons for attending the training courses on each of the three techniques. The reasons provided for attending are provided for each technique. The main reason for attending training on tree growing was “to protect the land” (51.5%: 710 HHs), followed by “capacity development in general” (18.3%: 252 HHs), “interested in the technique” (17.3%: 238 HHs), and “to increase productivity/income” (10.4%: 144 HHs). The main reason for attending training on soil conservation was “to increase productivity/income” (72.2%: 1,025 HHs), followed by being “interested in the technique” (12.7%: 180 HHs), and “capacity development in general” (11.7%: 166 HHs). The main reason for attending training on gully control was “to protect the land” (70.6%: 936 HHs), followed by “capacity development in general” (11.6%: 154 HHs), and being “interested in the technique” (11.2%: 149 HHs).

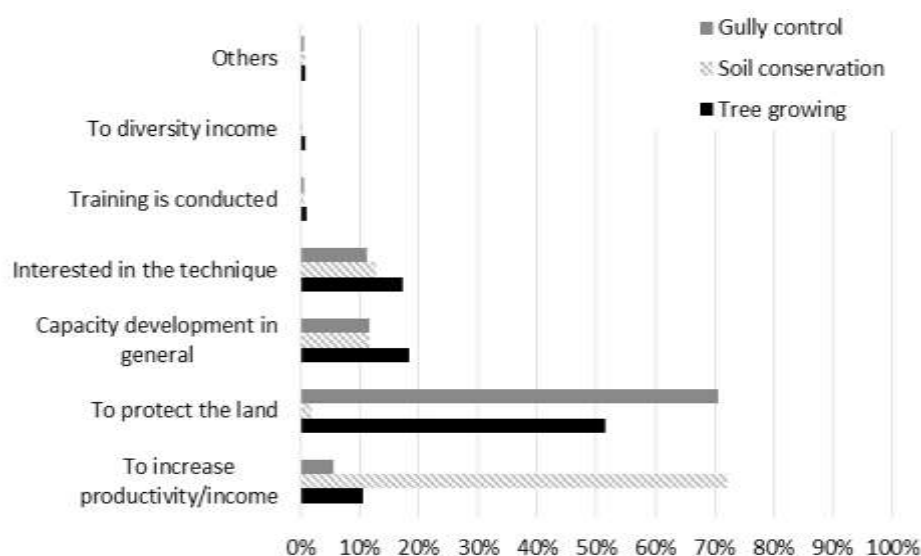


Figure 5: Reasons for Attending the Training

4. Adoption of techniques

(1) Adoption of the tree growing technique

1) Adoption of seedling production

According to the survey results, the rate of adoption of the seedling production technique increased from 60.8% before the project to 83.8% in the first year and to approximately 90% in the second year.

Respondents intended to produce more seedlings by group than by household, and this trend was reinforced

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by the project intervention. It was shown that training by the LF and SLF affected seedling production by group. The reason for encouraging group activities is that farmers improve their knowledge on and techniques for tree growing individually and/or deepen their understanding of the benefits. The farmers then select the activities that more easily receive support from such sources as the District Forestry Office, donors, and NGOs.

The participation rate was more than 80% in the first year and exceeded 90% in the second year. The increase from the first to second year shows a significant difference ($P < 0.01$), while the increase from the second to third year shows no significant difference ($P > 0.1$).

Regarding the adoption rate and number of seedlings produced, the increase from before the project was launched to the first year, and from the first to second year shows a significant difference. The decreasing number of seedlings produced by group from the second to third year differs significantly, while the decreasing number of seedlings produced by household from the second to third year demonstrated no significant difference.

Table 12 shows the rate of seedling production by years elapsed. The adoption rate was 60.8% before the project, and reached approximately 90% in the second year. The rate increased gradually from 83.8% (636 HHs) in the first year, to 89.6% (519 HHs) in the second year, and 90.7% (127 HHs) in the third year. The increase from before the launch of the project to the first year ($P < 0.001$) and from the first to the second year ($P < 0.01$) demonstrated a significant difference, while the increase from the second to third year showed no significant difference ($P > 0.1$).

For the proportion of seedling production by unit, the group produced slightly more than 50% of the seedlings, while the units per household and by both household and group were slightly less than 20%.

Table 12: Adoption Rate of Seedling Production by Years Elapsed

	Before	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	Av. 3 years
Adoption rate	60.8%	83.8%	89.6%	90.7%	86.7%
(95% CI)	(57.3–64.3)	(81.2–86.4)	(87.2–92.1)	(85.9–95.5)	
Adoption rate by HH	24.1%	13.6%	21.2%	27.9%	17.9%
(95% CI)	(21.5–27.7)	(11.1–16.0)	(17.9–24.6)	(20.4–35.3)	
Adoption rate by group	35.5%	54.8%	48.0%	46.4%	51.4%
(95% CI)	(32.1–38.9)	(51.3–58.3)	(43.9–52.1)	(38.2–54.7)	
Adoption rate by both	0.7%	15.4%	20.4%	16.4%	17.5%
(95% CI)	(0.1–1.2)	(12.8–18.0)	(17.1–23.7)	(10.3–22.6)	

The number of seedlings produced was investigated. Within the sample of responses, 2 of the 522 responses that indicated producing more than 2,000 seedlings by household were omitted from the study, because

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these numbers were not consistent with other observations⁷. Similarly, 3 of the 1,020 responses that indicated producing more than 7,000 seedlings by group were omitted.

Table 6 presents a histogram showing the average number of seedlings produced per household by years elapsed. The average number of seedlings produced per household was 50 (medium: 20.0, 95% CI: 34–66) in the first year, 87 (medium: 32.5, 95% CI: 62–111) in the second year, and 62 (medium: 30.0, 95% CI: 38–85) in the third year. There is strong evidence ($P < 0.05$) against the null hypothesis that the number of seedlings produced in the first year is the same as that in the second year. In addition, there is no evidence ($P > 0.1$) against the null hypothesis that the number of seedlings produced in the second year is the same as that in the third year.

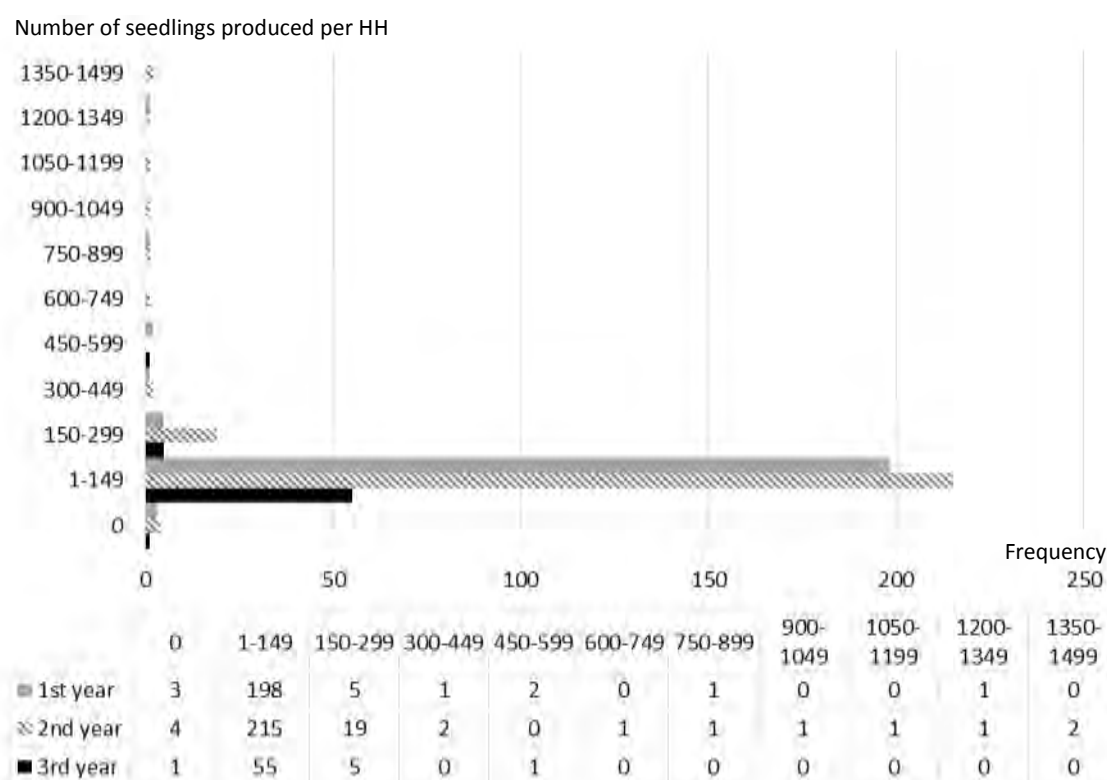


Figure 6: Average Number of Seedlings Produced per Household by Years Elapsed

Figure 7 presents a histogram showing the average number of seedlings produced per group by years elapsed. The number of seedlings produced per group was 578 (medium: 200.0, 95% CI: 499–657) in the first year, 774 (medium: 300.0, 95% CI: 687–939) in the second year, and 433 (medium: 100.0, 95% CI: 255–609) in the third year. There was strong evidence ($P < 0.05$) against the null hypothesis that the number of seedlings produced in the first year is the same as that in the second year, and the number in the second year is the same as that in the third year.

The questionnaire addressed the unit producing the seedlings such as a village, Limana, and group. The average proportions for the three years were 12.8% (Av. 106 HHs) for village, 38.9% (Av. 31 HHs) for

⁷ The Smirnov-Grubbs test was used to test for outliers.

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Limana, and 48.4% (Av. 30 HHs) for group. While the questionnaire categorizes the units into three groups, the results above indicate that the number of Limana and group households are the same. Because of the many respondents who questioned the differences between the group and Limana during the survey, it was assumed that respondents confused the Limana and group. For this reason, the number of seedlings produced was estimated under the condition that the unit for seedling production was categorized as two groups, namely the village and Limana/group in the responses.

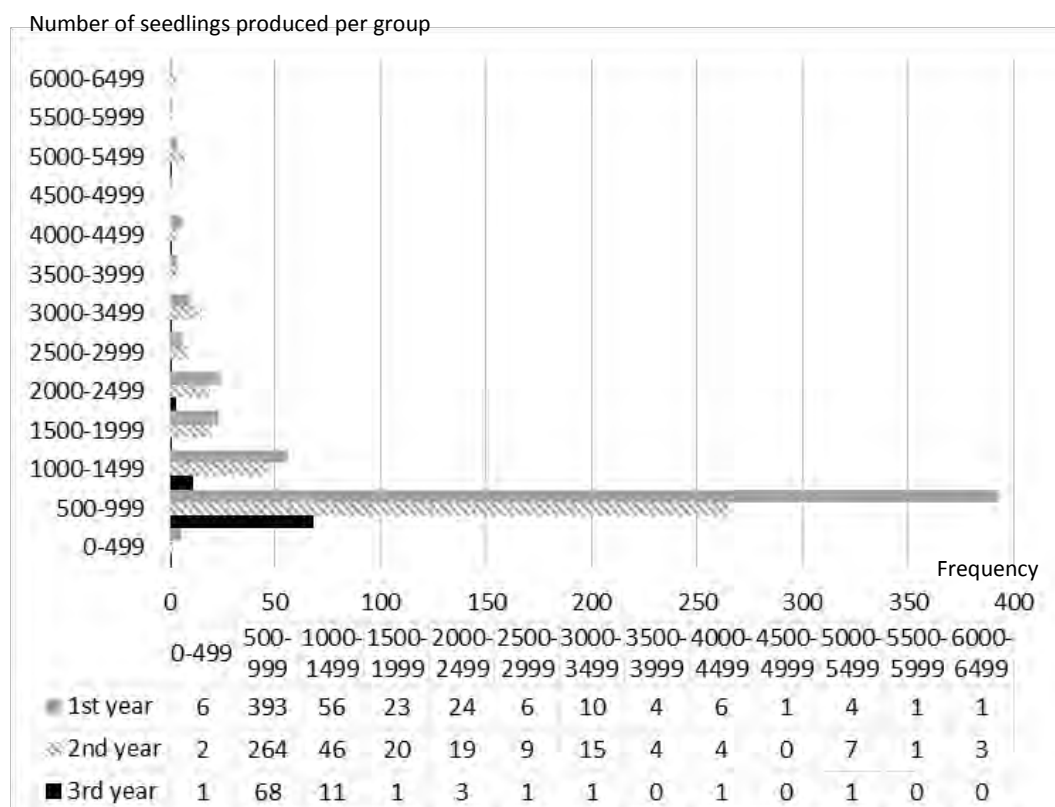


Figure 7: Average Number of Seedlings Produced per Group by Years Elapsed

Table 13 estimates the number of seedlings produced by the 35,000 households in the target districts over the initial two years of intervention based on the adoption rate and number of seedlings produced. Estimating the two years of intervention is justified, because there is a significant difference in the increase in the adoption rate and number of seedlings produced from the first to second year, but no significant difference in the adoption rate and number of seedlings produced from the second to third year. The number of seedlings produced by group was estimated according to the two group categories, namely the village and Limana/group, as mentioned above.

It was estimated that the total number of seedlings produced over the two years of intervention in all target districts was approximately 2.33 million seedlings (95% CI: 1,612,781–3,142,479), and that the total number of seedlings produced per household over the two years was 67 (95% CI: 46–90).

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Table 13: Estimated Number of Seedlings Produced by the 35,000 Households by Years Elapsed

		1 st year	2 nd year	Total
by Household	Total	439,250	1,053,570	1,492,820
	(95% CI)	(264,800–646,800)	(672,000–1,480,185)	(936,880–2,126,985)
by Village	Total	14,853	18,581	33,434
(106 HHs/group)	(95% CI)	(12,148–17,799)	(14,812–22,706)	(26,960–40,505)
by Limana/ by group	Total	357,515	447,252	804,767
(30 HHs/group)	(95% CI)	(292,406–428,437)	(356,535–546,552)	(648,941–974,989)
Total	Total	811,618	1,519,403	2,331,021
	(95% CI)	(568,734–1,093,036)	(1,044,047–2,049,443)	(1,612,781–3,142,479)

2) Adoption of tree planting

The adoption rate of tree planting exceeded 80% in the first year, approximately 60% by household and 40–50% by group. A statistical comparison indicates a significant difference only in the increase from before the project was launched to the first year.

Regarding tree planting by household, more than 80% of respondents planted the seedlings in a garden or homestead, meaning that fewer respondents planted on a woodlot or riverbank.

For tree planting by group, 50–60% of households planted the seedlings on a woodlot, riverbank, or mountain area, and approximately 40% of these households shared the seedlings grown by the group and planted them by household. When households planted by group or with village members, more than 70% planted the seedlings on a woodlot.

Table 14 shows the rate of tree planting by years elapsed. Before the project, the adoption rate was 65.2% (495 HHs). During the project intervention, the adoption rate of tree planting by household in the first year was 63.2% (480 HHs), 68.7% (398 HHs) in the second year, and 64.3% (90 HHs) in the third year. On the other hand, the adoption rate by group in the first year was 48.2% (366 HHs), 50.4% (292 HHs) in the second year, and 45.7% (64 HHs) in the third year. The sum of the adoption rates by household and by group is not equivalent to 100%, because several households planted the trees through both units, namely by household and by group. The increase demonstrates a significant difference from before the project to the first year ($P < 0.001$), while variations from the first to second year and from the second to third year show no significant difference. At the same time, no significant differences were found between the adoption rate of tree planting by households and by group from the first to third year.

Table 14: Adoption Rate of Tree Planting by Years Elapsed

	Before	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Adoption rate	65.2%	84.6%	88.3%	87.9%
(95% CI)	(61.8–68.6)	(82.0–87.2)	(85.6–90.9)	(82.4–93.3)
Adoption rate by HH	N.A	63.2%	68.7%	64.3%
(95% CI)		(59.8–66.7)	(65.0–72.5)	(56.3–72.2)
Adoption rate by group	N.A	48.2%	50.4%	45.7%
(95% CI)		(44.7–51.8)	(46.4–54.5)	(37.5–54.0)

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Households that planted trees were targeted to determine the number of trees planted. Within the sample of responses, 1 who planted more than 2,000 trees by household was omitted from the study, as the number was not consistent with other observations.

Figure 8 presents a histogram showing the average number of trees planted per household by years elapsed. The average number of trees planted per household was 50 (medium: 20.0, 95% CI: 34–65) in the first year, 77 (medium: 30.0, 95% CI: 54–98) in the second year, and 34 (medium: 20.0, 95% CI: 34–65) in the third year. There is no evidence against the null hypothesis that the number of seedlings produced in the first year is the same as that in the second year, and the second year is the same as the third year ($P>0.1$).

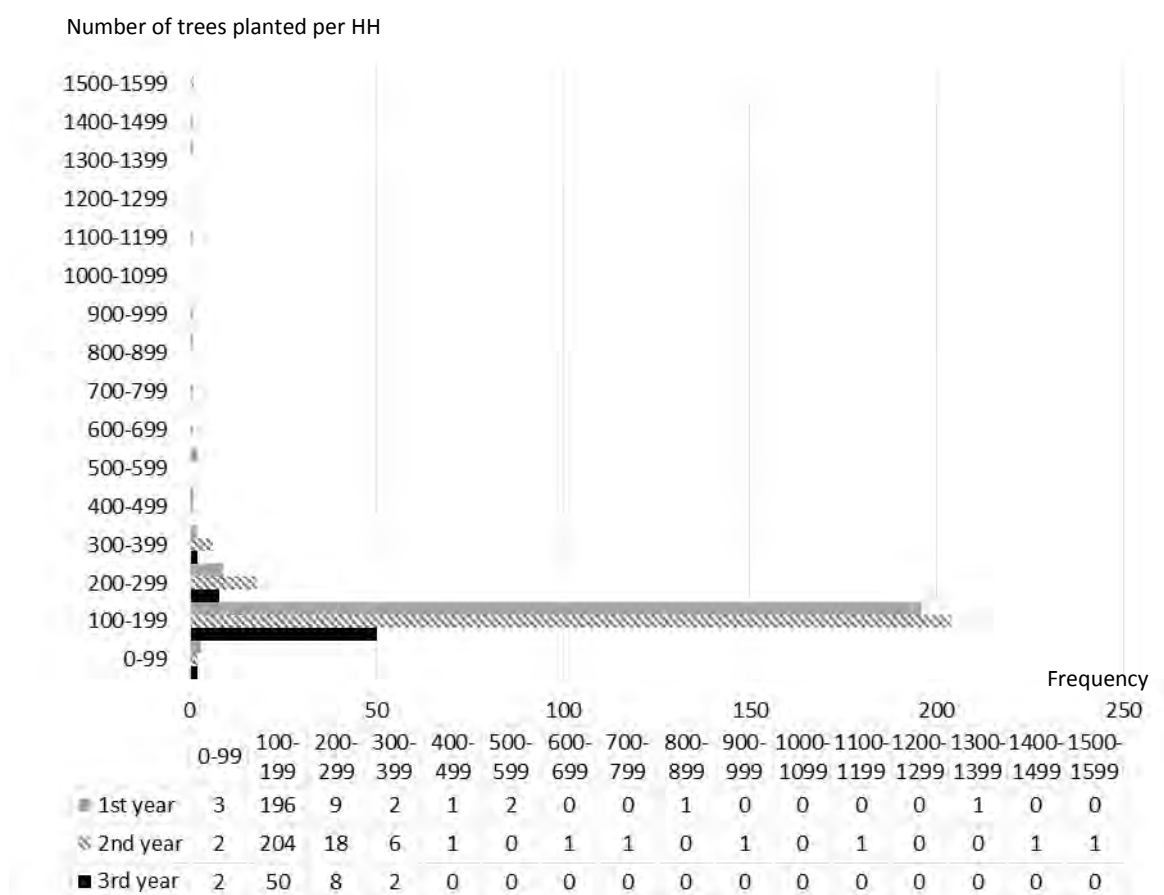


Figure 8: Average Number of Trees Planted per Household by Years Elapsed

Table 15 shows the areas in which trees were planted per household and the number of trees planted by years elapsed. There is no significant difference for the area planted by elapsed years. The proportion of trees planted on a homestead gradually decreased. Averaged over the three years, the areas planted in descending order (from most planted to least planted) were the “garden” (53.2%: 602 HHs), “homestead” (32.9%: 375 HHs), “woodlot” (8.2%: 93 HHs), and “riverbank” (5.8%: 66 HHs).

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Table 15: Planted Areas per Household by Years Elapsed

		1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	Av. 3 years
Garden		52.7%	51.6%	63.0%	53.2%
	Av. number	23	45	39	34
Homestead		35.1%	31.9%	25.9%	32.9%
	Av. number	24	33	27	28
Woodlot		7.7%	9.4%	4.6%	8.2%
	Av. number	80	63	44	70
Riverbank		4.5%	7.1%	6.5%	5.8%
	Av. number	28	59	12	42

Households that produced the seedlings by group were targeted to determine the use of the seedlings. On average over the three years, 72.1% (722 HHs) planted the trees by group, 56.9 % (570 HHs) shared the seedlings among group members, and 0.3% (3 HHs) sold the seedlings (see Table 16). There was no significant difference from the first to second year and from the second to third year.

As reference, the proportion of respondents who planted the trees by group and shared the seedlings by group in the first year was 27.1%, 32.5% in the second year, and 28.6% in the third year.

Households who planted trees by group were targeted to determine through the years elapsed the average number of trees planted by group. The number of trees planted by group in the first year was 554 (medium: 200.0, 95% CI: 485–622), 725 (medium: 270.0, 95% CI: 624–825) in the second year, and 413 (medium: 100.0, 95% CI: 160–562) in the third year. The average number of trees planted by group in the three years was 611.

There is strong evidence ($P < 0.01$) against the null hypothesis that the number of seedlings produced in the first year is the same as that in the second year, and the number in the second year is the same as that in the third year. As mentioned on page 17, no significant differences were found from the first to second year and from the second to third year. The number of trees planted by group increased from the first to second year ($P < 0.01$), but decreased from the second to third year ($P < 0.01$).

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Table 16: Use of Seedlings Produced by Group by Years Elapsed

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	Av. 3 years
Planting by group	69.7%	75.8%	75.3%	72.1%
(95% CI)	(66.1–84.5)	(71.6–80.1)	(65.8–73.6)	
Av. number	554	725	413	611
(95% CI)	(485–622)	(624–825)	(160–562)	
Shared by group members	58.9%	56.4%	51.8%	56.9%
Av. number	338	438	231	368
Sold	0.4%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%
Av. number	460	1,900	0	940

Table 17 shows the places where the trees were planted by group and the number of trees planted by elapsed years. There was no significant difference in the number of the planted areas by elapsed years. With regard to the planted areas during the average of the three years, the following was observed; “Woodlot” (70.5%: 555 HHs), “River bank” (19.3%: 152 HHs), “Mountain” (8.2%: 60 HHs) and “Others (including Garden, Borehole, Homestead and Cemetery)” (2.5%: 20 HHs).

Table 17: Planted Area by Group by Years Elapsed

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	Av. 3 years
Woodlot	72.6%	67.6%	72.5%	70.5%
Av. number	494	572	344	512
(95% CI)	(414–573)	(477–667)	(186–500)	
River bank	18.9%	20.2%	17.4%	19.3%
Av. number	519	872	427	665
(95% CI)	(474–564)	(804–940)	(361–491)	
Mountain	7.2%	8.3%	7.2%	7.6%
Av. number	660	922	1,047	810
Others	1.3%	4.0%	2.9%	1.3%

Table 18 makes an estimate of the number of trees planted by the 35,000 households in the target districts over the initial two years of the intervention of the adoption rate and the number of trees planted. The justification to estimate by the two year interaction was as follows: with regard to adaptation by household, there was no significant difference in the increase of the adoption rate from the second year to the third year and the average number of trees planted peaked during the second year and during the three years of the intervention. Moreover, concerning adoption by group, there were no significant differences in the adoption rate of tree planting during the three years and the number of trees planted peaked during the second year as was also the case with the number of trees planted by household.

It is estimated that the total number of trees planted over the two years of the intervention in the entire target district was approximately 3.62 million trees (95% CI: 2,476,185–4,821,877); 2.95 million trees by household and 0.67 million trees by group. The total number of trees planted per household over the two years was 84 (95% CI: 55–114) and the number by group was 19 (95% CI: 15–23). With regard to the total number of trees planted in the planted area, the following was observed; “Garden” 0.825 million, “Woodlot” 0.76 million, “Homestead” 0.415 million, “River bank” 0.23 million and “Mountain” 0.052 million.

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Table 18: Estimated Number of Trees Planted by the 35,000 Households by Years Elapsed

		1 st year	2 nd year	Total
Number by HH	(Total)	1,109,087	1,840,508	2,949,595
	(95% CI)	(711,620–1,517,425)	(1,228,500–2,486,750)	(1,940,120–4,004,175)
	(Total)	283,059	387,284	643,605
Number by group	(95% CI)	(220,387–327,631)	(294,296–457,455)	(514,683–785,086)
【Number of trees planted by HH in the planted area】				
Garden		272,113	553,502	825,615
Homestead		178,118	238,430	416,548
Woodlot		143,576	150,366	293,942
River bank		23,307	75,741	99,048
【Number of trees planted by group by planted area】				
Woodlot		205,598	261,742	467,340
River bank		53,571	78,167	131,739
Mountain		20,270	31,978	52,248

3) Adoption of direct sowing and natural regeneration

Table 19 shows that 30-40% of the respondents who produced the seedlings practiced direct sowing and 40-50% practiced natural regeneration. The adoption rate edged upwards.

Table 19: Adoption Rate of Direct Sowing and Natural Regeneration by Years Elapsed

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
【by household】			
Direct sowing	31.3%	39.9%	46.0%
Natural regeneration	45.7%	57.1%	56.5%
【by group】			
Direct sowing (communal land)	27.0%	29.4%	31.1%
Direct sowing (others)	0.2%	0.8%	0.0%
Natural regeneration	34.6%	41.7%	40.0%

4) Reasons for not adopting the techniques

Before the project intervention, the main reason given for not producing the seedlings was “Didn’t know the techniques” (more than 70%). After the project intervention, “Absence,” “Too busy,” “Didn’t have the materials (including seeds and pots)” were cited as the main reasons and “Didn’t know the techniques” was not recorded. From these results, it may be presumed that the training courses held by the LF transfers sufficiently increased the knowledge and the techniques of the fellow farmers in the practices of growing trees.

Table 9 presents the reasons for not producing seedlings prior to the project. The most frequently cited reason was “Didn’t know the techniques” (70.2%: 228 HHs), followed by “Not interested” (14.2%: 46 HHs), “Don’t know the importance” (6.8%: 22 HHs), “No motivation” (1.5%: 5 HHs) and “Have natural trees” (0.9%: 3 HHs).

After the project intervention, the most frequently cited reason given were “Absence” (22.7%: 46 HHs), “Too busy” (19.2%: 39 HHs), “Not interested” (17.2%: 35 HHs), and “Didn’t have the materials” (11.3%: 23 HHs). The major dissenting reasons were “Not a member” and “Not selected,” which were 1.5% (3 HHs). These

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reasons go against the main principle of the COVAMS approach of being “Open to everyone.”⁸ In the training for the LF, the trainer should convey the principle carefully.

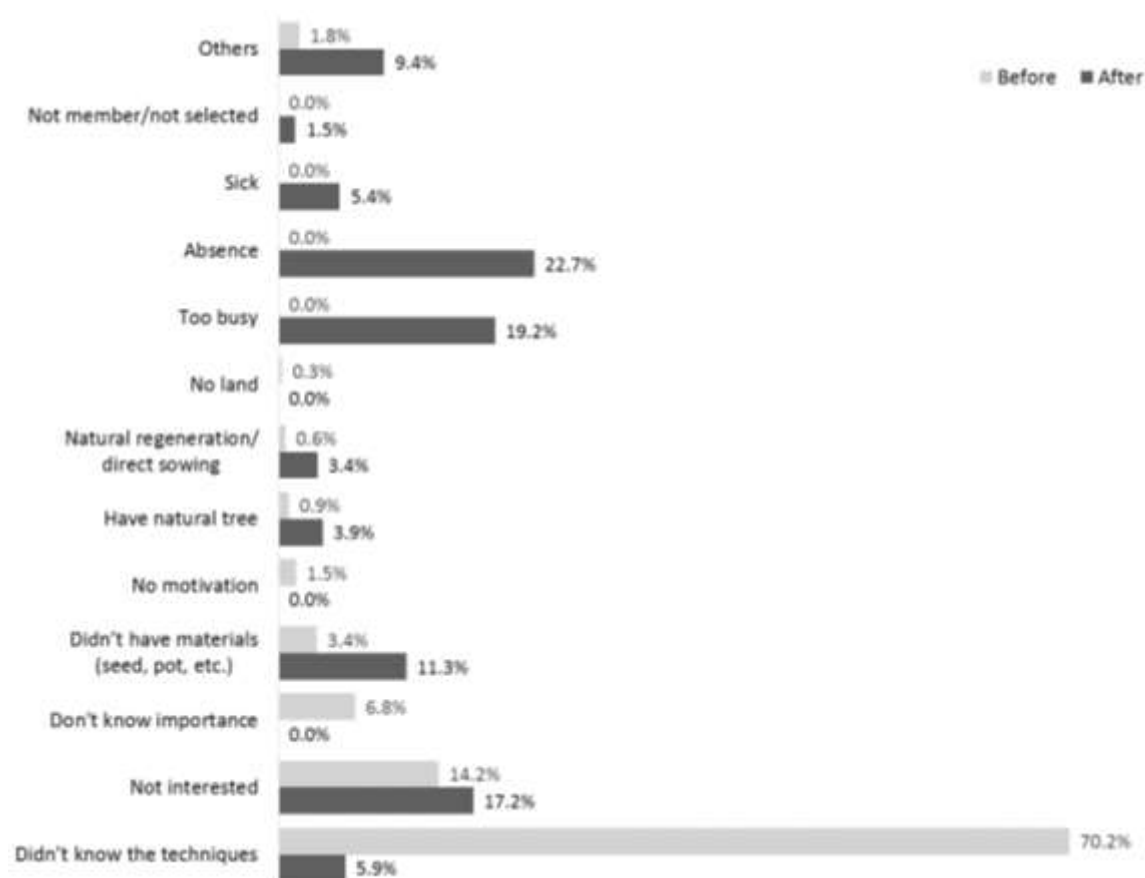


Figure 9: Reasons for Not Producing Seedlings

Table 10 presents the reasons for not planting trees before the project. The most frequently cited reason was “Didn’t know the techniques” (76.0%: 215 HHs), followed by “Not interested” (13.4%: 38 HHs), “Don’t know the importance” (5.7%: 16 HHs), “No motivation” (1.8%: 5 HHs), and “Have natural trees” (1.4%: 4 HHs).

After the project intervention, the most frequently cited reasons given were “No seedlings” (25.3%: 72 HHs), “Seedlings died” and “The seedlings were not shared by the group” (24.9%: 53 HHs), “Too busy” (18.3%: 39 HHs), and “Absence” (13.6%: 29 HHs).

⁸ The five principles of the COVAMS approach are “Meet the inhabitants’ needs,” “Use local instructors and resources,” “Take place within a village,” “Open to everyone” and “Can be repeated in order to encourage many inhabitants to participate.”

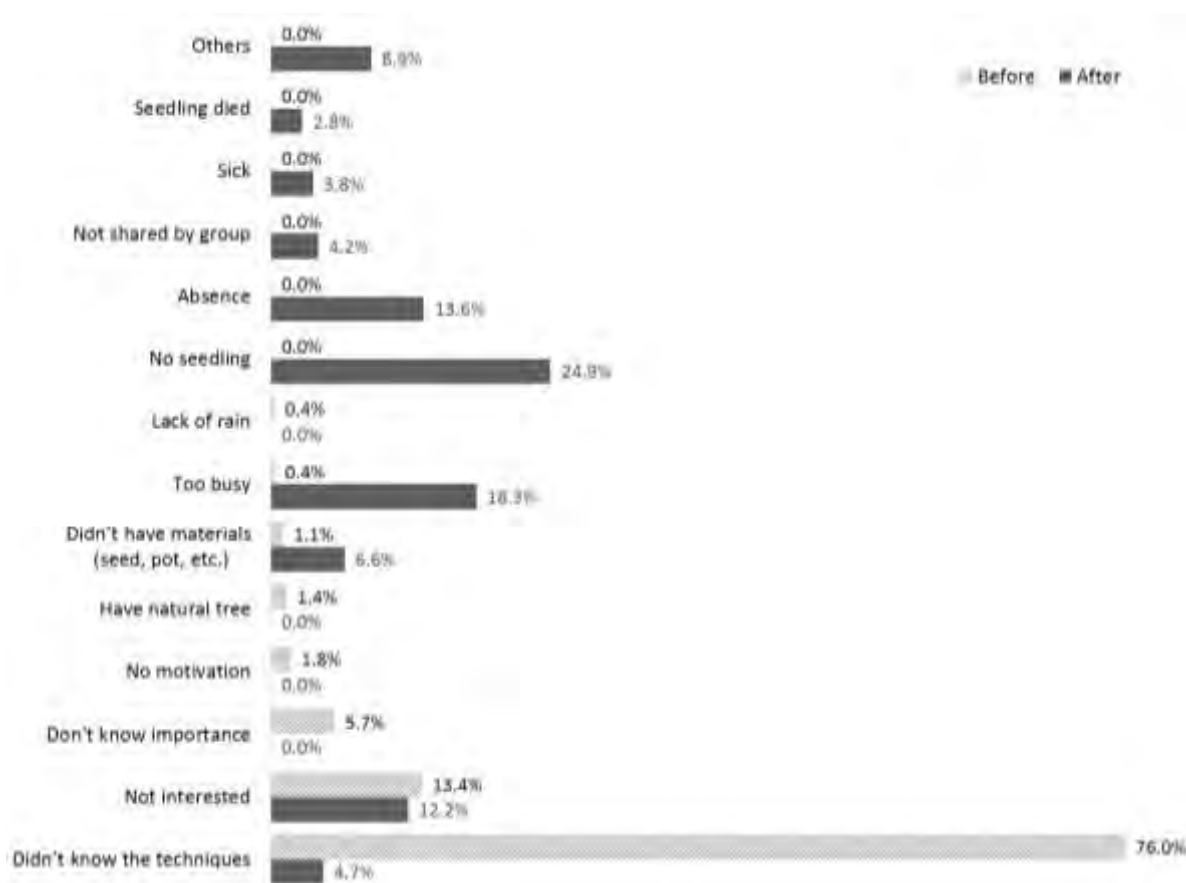
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Figure 10: Reasons for Not Planting Trees

5) Information source on tree growing techniques

The households who produced seedlings and/or planted trees were the targets for the study of the information sources, in other words the sources for learning the techniques. As shown in Figure 11, the most prominent sources given were “COVAMS LF” (55.6%: 689 HHs), “CCO” (19.6%: 243 HHs), and “Village head/ Group village head” (5.6%: 69 HHs). It was found that the respondents were aware of the COVAMS LF as an information source for inhabitants.

The questionnaire was designed to study if a supplemental channel existed among farmers aside from the training courses and the sensitization activities conducted by the LF and SLF. Moreover, it was designed to determine if it would be possible to accelerate the extension of the tree growing techniques. However, no additional channels were discovered.

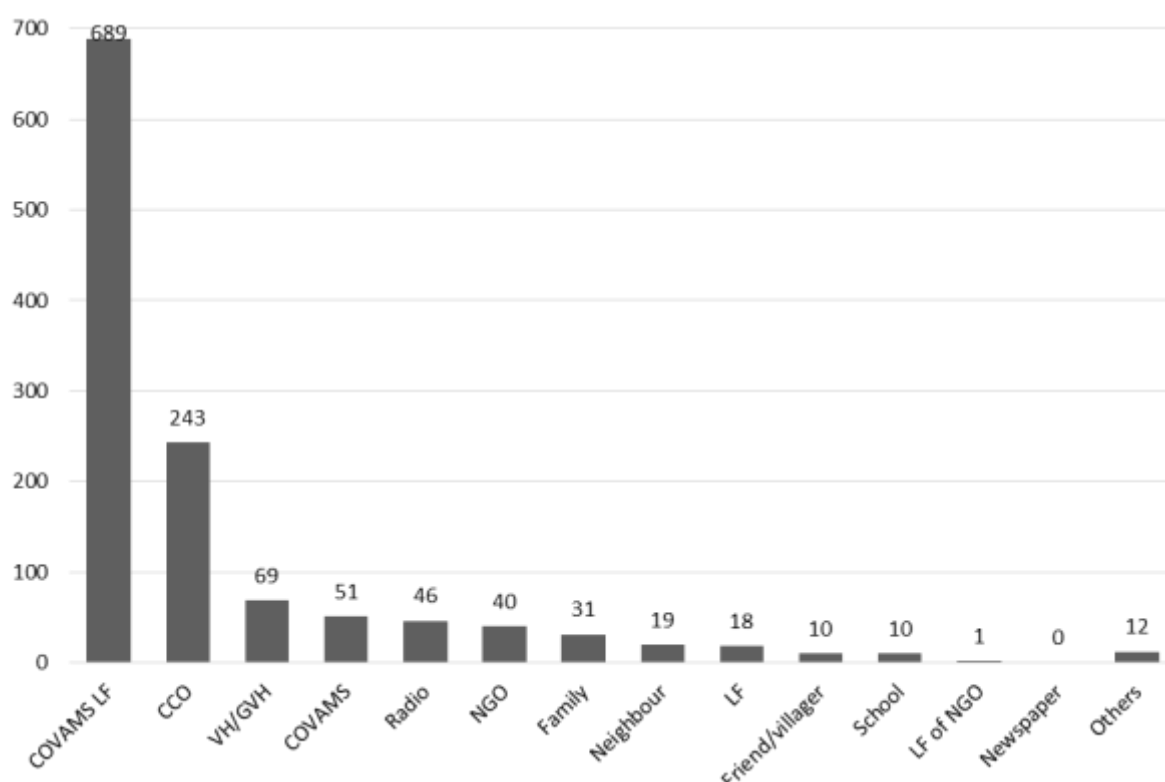


Figure 11: Information Sources of the Households That Practiced Tree Growing

(2) Adoption of soil conservation techniques

1) Adoption of contour farming

More than 90% of households practiced one or more of the four techniques (mentioned below) used for contour farming by the second year of the project intervention. In the third year, more than 95% of households practiced one or more of the techniques. It was found that the adoption rate increased markedly as a result of project intervention because about 25% of households practiced the techniques prior to the project.

With regard to the adoption rates of the four techniques, namely contour ridging, box ridges, swale, and hedge row, the adoption rates are as follows in descending order: box ridges 29.6%, contour ridging 28.1%, swale 24.6% and hedge row 17.7%. To increase the adoption of the techniques year after year, the households tended to increase the area and/or the number of the techniques practiced gradually.

Table 20 shows the tendency of the adoption rate for the soil conservation techniques and the adoption rate excluding the respondents who made a contour ridge with a ridge width of more than 90 cm by elapsed years. The households who were targeted for the study area practiced the techniques of contour farming with a ridge width of less than 80 cm, 85 cm and 90 cm. The widths of the contour ridging on the questionnaire were divided into three groups based on the level of understanding in regards to contour farming. The adoption rate excluding the respondents who made a ridge with more than a 90 cm width was

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analyzed because it was surmised that LF did not teach the techniques to fellow farmers properly and/or the farmer did not understand the technique completely. Although the MOAIWD endorses contour farming with a 75 cm ridge width, the project tolerated up to an 85 cm ridge width in consideration of several problems faced by the landowners and leaseholders⁹ and because of the cost increases of agricultural materials including chemical fertilizers and seeds. It was surmised that the technical guide of the LF to the farmers was not appropriate and/or the understanding of the farmers was poor because the 90 cm width is the same as the width used in traditional farming. Thus, this report regards the adoption rate of soil conservation as the rate excluding the respondents whose answers were the 90 cm ridge width.

The adoption rate excluding the respondents whose answers were more than a 90 cm ridge width was 25.0% prior to the project intervention. Then, as shown in Table 20, the rate increased slightly: 82.8% (95% CI: 80.0–85.4) in the first year, 92.4% (95% CI: 90.5–94.3) in the second year, and 96.4% (95% CI: 95.1–97.7) in the third year. The increase showed a significant difference from the first year to the second year ($P < 0.001$) and from the second year to the third year ($P < 0.05$).

Table 20: Adoption Rate of Soil Conservation Techniques by Years Elapsed

	Before	1st year	2nd year	3rd year
Respondents (Total respondents)	190 (760)	680 (765)	564 (580)	138 (140)
Adoption rate	25.0%	88.9%	97.2%	98.6%
(95% CI)	(21.9–28.1)	(86.6–91.0)	(95.9–98.6)	(96.6–100.5)
Adoption rate minus the respondents whose answers were more than a 90 cm ridge width				
Respondents (Total respondents)	120 (760)	633 (765)	536 (580)	135 (140)
Adoption rate	15.8%	82.8%	92.4%	96.4%
(95% CI)	(13.2–18.4)	(80.0–85.4)	(90.5–94.3)	(95.1–97.7)

Figure 12 presents the adoption rate with differences in ridge width by elapsed years. The households who practiced contour farming with an 80 cm ridge width scored 60.3% (95% CI: 13.2–18.4) before the project. The adoption rate increased year after year and it was 95.7% (95% CI: 92.2–99.1) in the third year. On the other hand, the households who practiced contour farming with a ridge width greater than 90 cm scored 37.0% (95% CI: 30.2–43.9). The adoption rate decreased year after year, and it was 2.2% (95% CI: -0.3–4.6) in the third year.

⁹ There are several reasons why the recognition of the techniques did not lead to their practice. For instance, there is an incentive to make a wider ridge in order to broaden the cultivating area because land ownership for non-cultivated areas is not authorized; the farmer who is a sharecropper does not know if he/she can change the ridge width without asking a landowner.

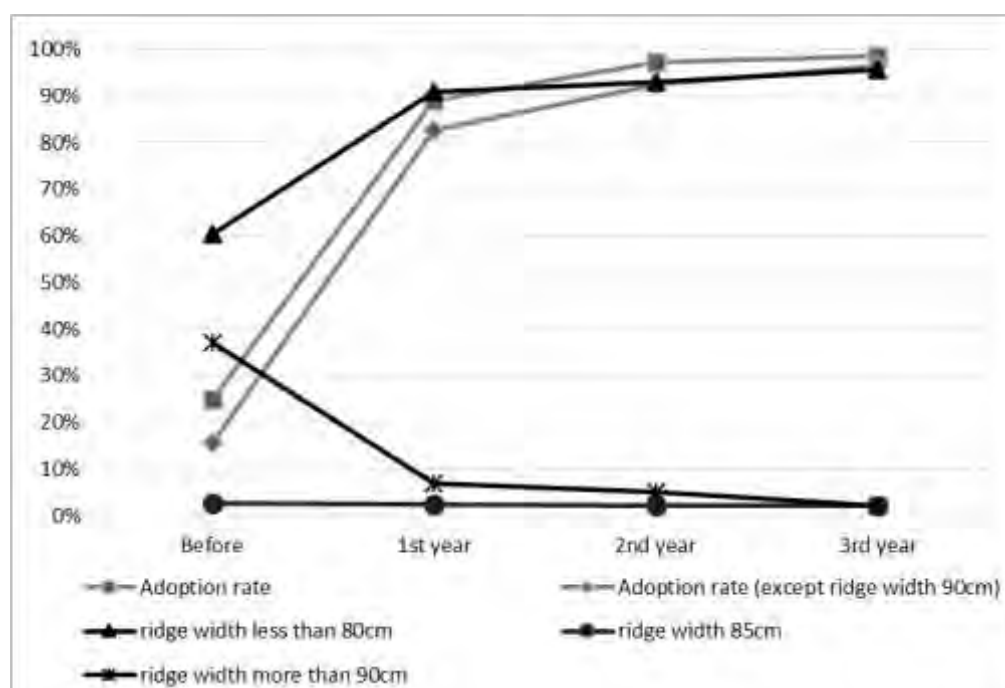


Figure 12: Adoption Rate of Soil Conservation Techniques and Contour Farming by Ridge Width by Years Elapsed

There were no statistically significant differences in the area from 0.8 acre¹⁰ to 1.2 acres (3,238–4,856m²) for cultivation with contour farming and of the tendency by elapsed years.

The techniques adopted for the practice of contour farming were studied. There are four techniques: contour ridging, box ridges, swale, and hedge row.

Figure 13 shows a design for box ridges which make walls between the planting ridges with a space of 2 meters each. The height of the walls is nearly equal with the one of ridges. The box ridges restrict soil erosion caused by rainfall because the surface soil that runs out on the contour (along the ridges) is kept in the ridges. Moreover, rain is absorbed slowly by the plants because the water is kept within the ridges.

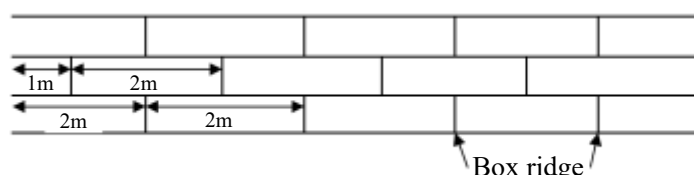


Figure 13: Making Box Ridges

Figure 14 presents a design referred to as a swale, which is made with spaces of about 3.3 meters each. A swale should be constructed along

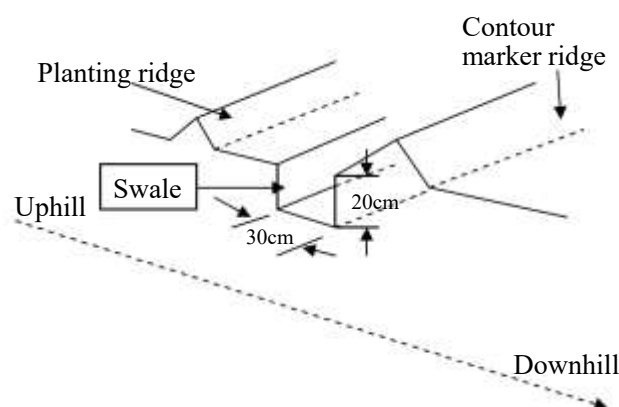


Figure 14: Swale Construction

¹⁰ One acre measures 4,046.9m².

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the contour marker ridges such as with Vetiver grass with a depth of 20 to 30 cm and 40 cm and 60 cm in width. The swale restricts soil erosion in the vertical direction (with an inclination slope) caused by rainfall.

Table 21 shows the adoption rate of the techniques used for soil conservation over the average of the three years. In descending order, box ridges scored 29.6%, contour ridging 28.1%, swale 24.6% and hedge row 17.7%.

The project did not provide the plants for the hedge row (for contour marker ridges) such as Vetiver grass, but the district agriculture department distributes them upon request by the farmers. It is presumed that the adoption rate of this technique was lower than the ones of the others because the farmers needed to procure the materials more voluntarily than was the case with the others.

With regard to the number of the techniques adopted, it is difficult for farmers to practice all the four techniques in one season because of time and labor limitations. It is recommended that the number of the techniques practiced increase year after year. In addition, it is clear that the farmers increase the number of techniques gradually (Figure 15).

Table 21: Adoption Rate of the Four Techniques for Contour Farming by Years Elapsed

Technique		Before	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Av. 3 years
Contour ridging	Respondents	129	582	483	127	1,192
	Rate	34.6%	28.3%	27.7%	28.6%	28.09%
Box ridges	Respondents	125	625	513	118	1,257
	Rate	33.5%	30.4%	29.4%	26.6%	29.62%
Swale	Respondents	51	496	432	114	1,042
	Rate	13.7%	24.1%	24.8%	25.7%	24.55%
Hedge row	Respondents	68	354	314	85	753
	Rate	18.2%	17.2%	18.0%	19.1%	17.74%

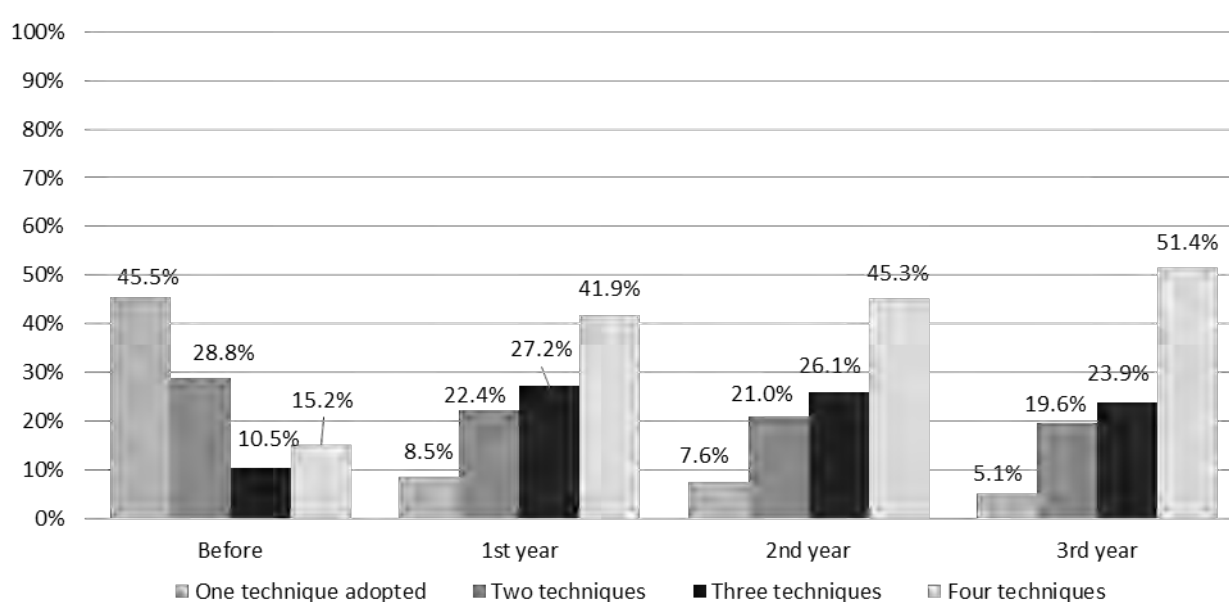


Figure 15: Number of Techniques Adopted by Years Elapsed

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Table 22 shows an estimate of the area where contour farming was adopted by the 35,000 households that comprised the entire target district with regard to the adoption rate and the area in which the techniques were adopted. The adoption rate and the adoption area were calculated using the total area which had ridge widths less than 85 cm. The total area estimated in the first year was 26 thousand acres, the area accumulated over the first two years was 54 thousand acres, and the area accumulated over three years was 86 thousand acres. The adoption area per one household was 0.8 acre/HH during the first year, 1.5 acres/HH in the second year, and 2.5 acres in the third year.

Table 22: Area of Contour Farming by Years Elapsed

		1st year	2nd year	3rd year
Total		26,357 acres	27,891 acres	32,210 acres
	(95% CI)	(25,432–27,282)	(26,916–28,866)	(30,289–34,132)
Accumulation			54,248 acres	86,458 acres
	(95% CI)		(52,348–56,148)	(82,637–90,280)
Area adopted per HH		0.8 acres/HH	1.5 acres/HH	2.5 acres/HH
	(95% CI)	(0.7–0.8)	(1.5–1.6)	(2.4–2.6)

2) Application of manure

The households that practiced soil conservation were targeted for the study of the application of manure by elapsed years.

Over the average of the three years of the project intervention, the respondents who applied manure accounted for 88.8% (1,320 HHs) and the adoption area was 0.71 acre/HH (median: 0.5). There was no significant difference in the average area of manure adopted per household between the time before and after the project intervention: before the project, the average size of the adoption area was 0.78 acre/HH (median: 0.5) with 20.1% (153 HHs) of the participants applying manure.

Table 23 shows the proportion of households who applied manure by elapsed years. As mentioned above, there was no significant difference in the average area of manure adopted per household between the time before and after the project intervention. However, the adoption rate increased dramatically after the project intervention. The increases before the project to the first year and from the first year to the second year show a strong significant difference ($P < 0.001$) while the decrease from the second to third year shows no significant difference ($P > 0.1$).

Table 23: Adoption Rate of Manure Application by Years Elapsed

	Before the project	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Av. 3years
Adoption rate	20.1%	84.1%	94.5%	94.3%	95.0%
(95% CI)	(17.3–23.0)	(81.5–86.7)	(92.8–96.5)	(90.4–98.1)	

3) Information source on soil conservation techniques

The households that practiced soil conservation were targeted for the study on the information source related to soil conservation techniques. As was the case with tree growing, the most prominent sources were “COVAMS LF” (68.2%: 692 HHs) and “CCO” (16.8%: 170 HHs). Next, “COVAMS” was 5.3% (54 HHs)

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and “Radio” was 2.1% (21 HHs). In tree growing, “Village head/ Group village head” measured 5.6% (69 HHs) of tree growing, while the source amounted to 2.1% (3 HHs) in soil conservation. In the same way as afforestation techniques, it was found that the COVAMS LF was used fully as the information source for the population.

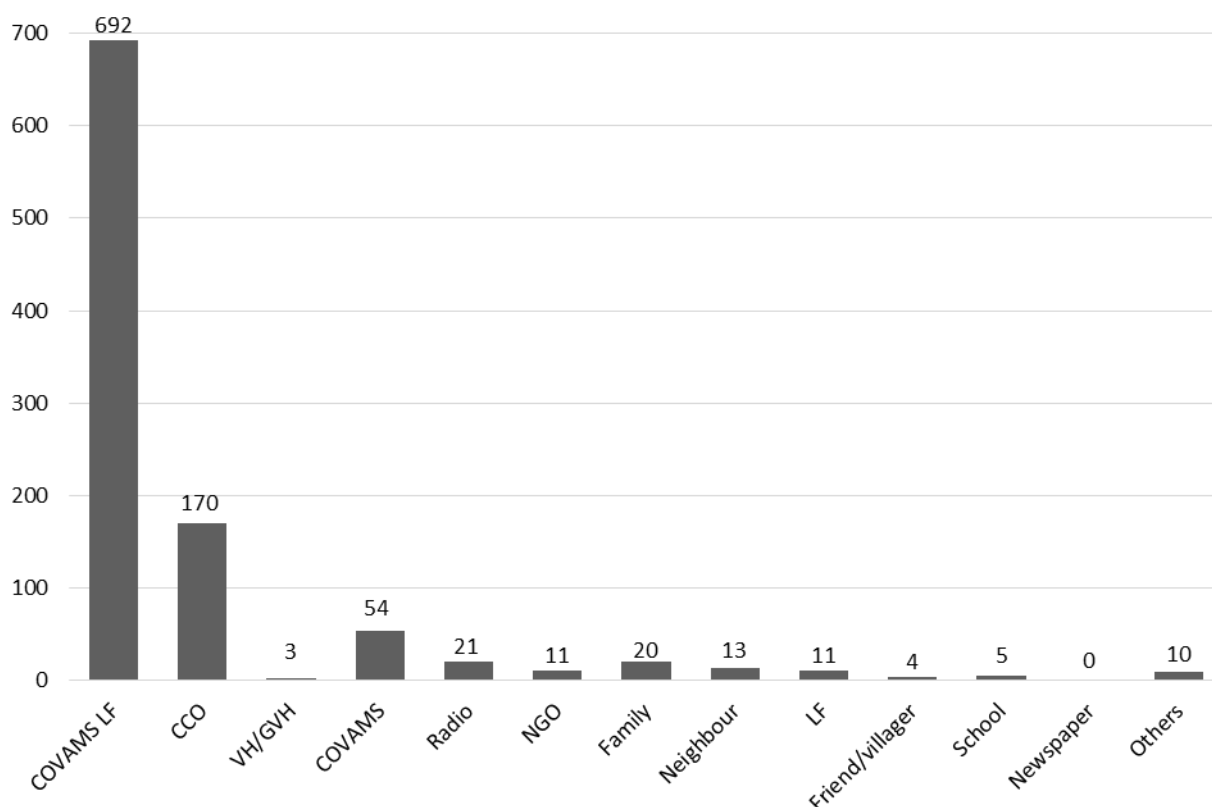


Figure 16: Information Sources of Households That Practice Soil Conservation

4) Benefits of soil conservation

The households that practice soil conservation were targeted for the study on the benefits that the respondents obtained by practicing soil conservation techniques. Through a questionnaire that allowed the respondents to choose more than one answer to each question, a total of 1,039 responses were collected.

In Figure 17, the two bar charts on the extreme left show an increase in yield and the prevention of soil erosion, while the darker shade of the same color on the charts presents the order of “drastically,” “to some extent,” and “a little.” The most prominent respondent was “Increased the yield” (41.5%: 548 HHs), followed by “Conserve the moisture” (26.8%: 354 HHs), “Stopped soil erosion” (21.4%: 282 HHs), and “Restore soil fertility” (8.9%: 118 HHs).

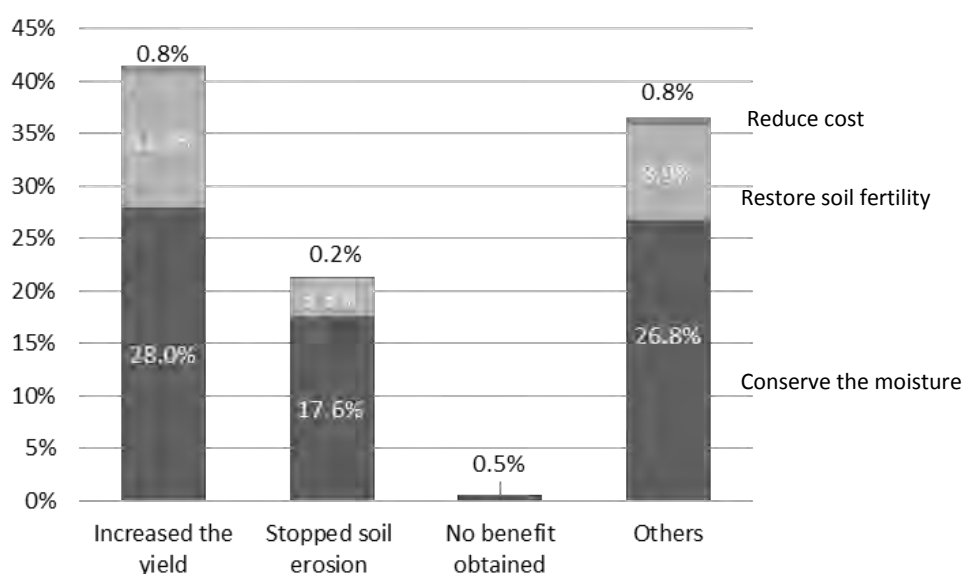


Figure 17: Benefits of Soil Conservation

(3) Adoption of gully control techniques

1) Adoption of check dam construction

The project introduced techniques for constructing small-scale check dams for gully control using readily available materials including stones and timber.

Table 24 presents the tendency towards the adoption rate for check dam construction by elapsed years. The adoption rate before the project intervention scored 8.9%, 69.1% in the first year, 69.0% in the second year, and 72.1% in the third year. As is the case with the other techniques, the increase from before the project to the first year shows a significant difference ($P < 0.001$) while there is no significant difference in the adoption rate from the first to second year and from the second to third year ($P > 0.1$). There is no evidence against the null hypothesis that the number of check dams constructed will vary year after year.

Table 24: Adoption Rate of Check Dam Construction by Years Elapsed

	Before	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Adoption rate	8.9%	69.1%	69.0%	72.1%
(95% CI)	(6.8–10.8)	(65.8–72.4)	(65.2–72.7)	(64.7–79.6)

The average number of dams during the three years was 5.2 (median: 4.0, 95% CI: 4.9–5.5) and the total number of check dams constructed during the three years of the project intervention was 5,322 made by 556 targeted households.

Table 25 shows an estimation of the number of check dams constructed by the 35,000 households in the entire target district on the basis of the adoption rate and the average number of the dams per household.

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The number estimated in the first year was 125.6 thousand, the number accumulated in the second year was 251 thousand, and 382.6 thousand in the third year. The number of check dams per household was 3.6/HH in the first year, 7.2/HH in the second year, and 10.9/HH in the third year.

Table 25: Area of Check Dam Construction by Years Elapsed

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Total	125,648	125,442	131,221
(95% CI)	(119,672–131,625)	(118,594–132,290)	(117,714–144,729)
Cumulative total	-	251,090	382,311
(95% CI)	-	(238,266–263,915)	(355,980–408,644)
Area adopted per HH	3.6/HHs	7.2/HHs	10.9/HHs
(95% CI)	(3.4–3.8)	(6.8–7.5)	(10.2–11.7)

2) Reasons for not adopting gully control techniques

Figure 18 presents the reasons cited for not constructing check dams before the project. The most prominent reason was “Didn’t know the techniques” (97.6%: 228 HHs). The proportion of the reason above gradually decreased year after year from 20.8% (50 HHs) in the first year of the intervention to 6.3% (15 HHs) in the second year, and down to 4.7% (2 HHs) in the third year. On the other hand, the proportion of the reasons “No gully to be rehabilitated” and “Still not urgent” increased year after year. In the responses in “Others,” “Maintain the previous ones” accounted for 37.7%.

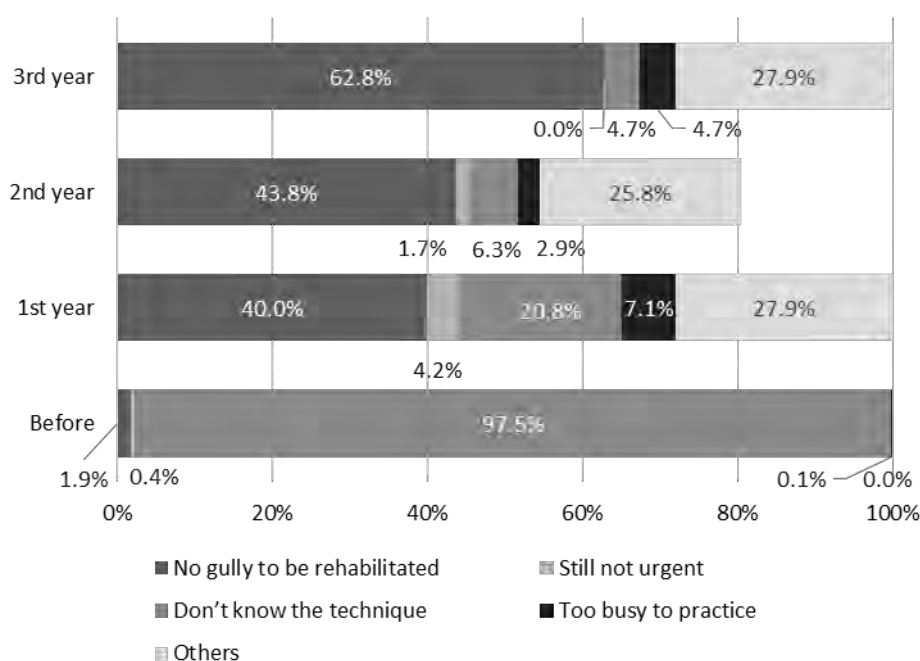


Figure 18: Reasons for Not Constructing the Check Dams by Years Elapsed

3) Information source on gully control techniques

The households that constructed the check dams were targeted for the study on the information sources for gully control techniques. The most prominent source given was “COVAMS LF” (80.4%: 621 HHs) as was

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shown in the cases of tree growing and soil conservation, followed by “CCO” (8.9%: 67 HHs) and “COVAMS” (6.4%: 49 HHs). The number of respondents who answered “LF” as information source was higher than in the other techniques of tree growing and soil conservation. The COVAMS LFs were fully used as a source of information for the inhabitants.

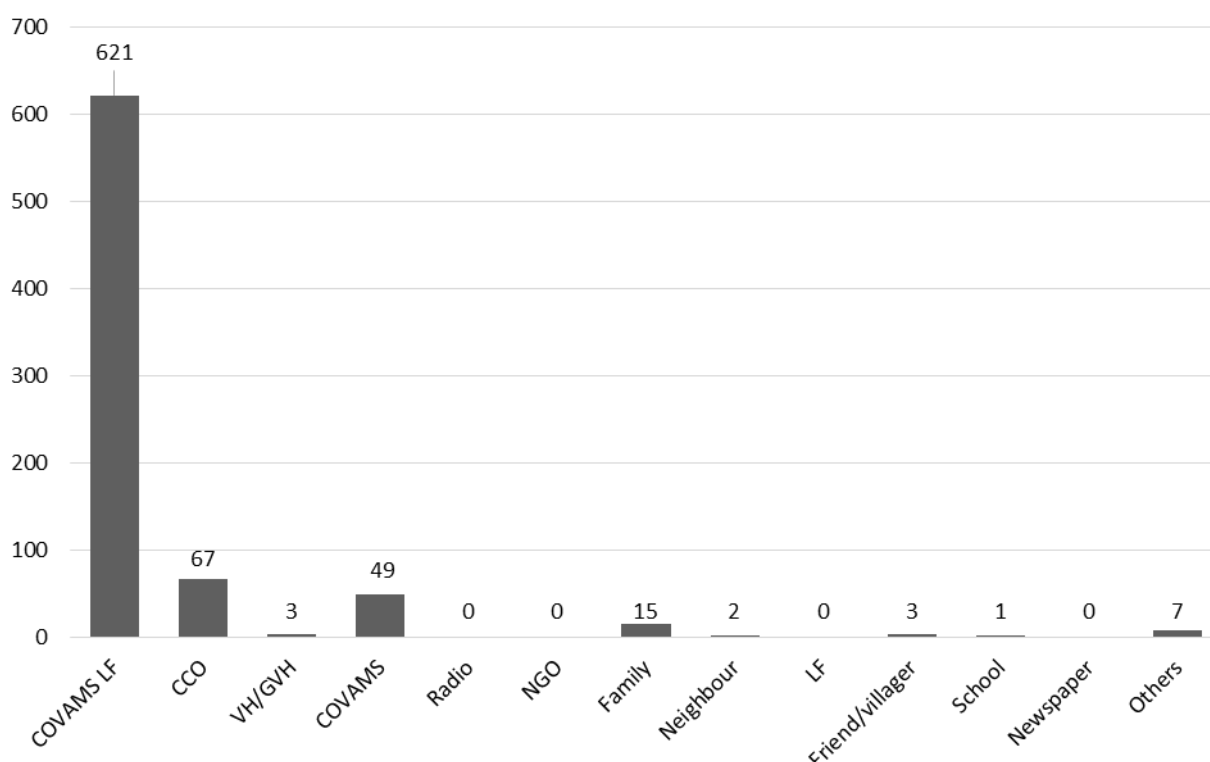


Figure 19: Information Sources of Households That Practice Gully Control

4) Benefits of gully control

The households that practiced gully control techniques were targeted for the study on the benefits that the respondent obtained by the construction of check dams. Through a questionnaire that allowed the respondents to choose more than one answer to each question, a total of 1,110 responses were collected as shown in Figure 20.

In Figure 20, the two bar charts on the extreme left show the prevention of soil erosion and the increase in yield while the darker shade of the same color on the charts represents the order of factors described as “drastically,” “to some extent,” and “a little.” The most prominent response was “Stopped soil erosion” (48.0%: 533 HHs), followed by “Land recreation” (19.5%: 216 HHs). In “Others,” “Reduces speed of running water” accounted for 9.8% (109 HHs), “Increased the yield” 9.2% (101 HHs), “Conserve/maintain fertility” 7.8% (87 HHs), and “Conserves moisture” 5.0% (55 HHs).

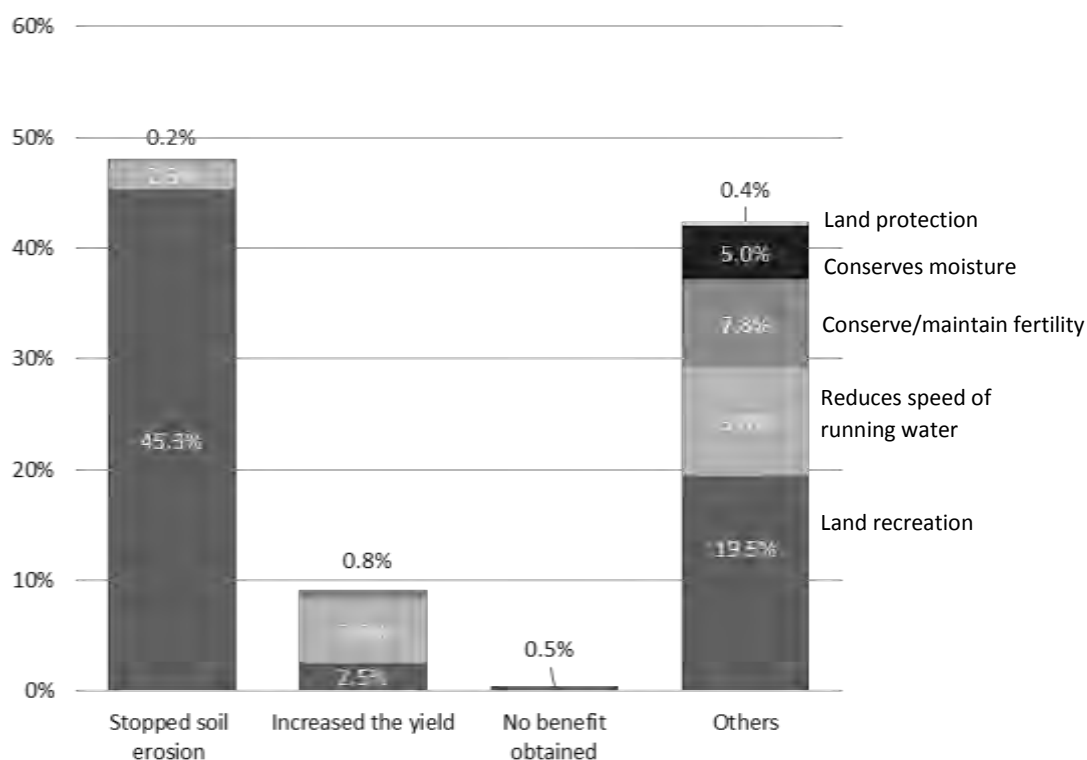


Figure 20: Benefits of Gully Control

VI. Analysis of the effectiveness of the COVAMS approach

I. Effectiveness of the approach for the rate of training conducted and for participation

In the target area where the COVAMS approach was carried out, the rate of the training conducted by the LF was 100% and the rate of the training participation measures was more than 90% over the two years of the intervention. With regard to the information source for each technique, the respondents who gave the answer that the LF was the most prominent source scored 55.6% for tree growing techniques, 68.2% for soil conservation techniques, and 80.4% for gully control techniques. It was verified that the techniques were transferred equally to the inhabitants by the LF and/or SLF. This indicates that one pillar of the COVAMS approach “Open to everyone” was verified.

(1) Rate of training conducted

With regard to the rate of the training conducted, it was considered whether the COVAMS approach enhanced Catchment Management through Farmers Activities (CMFAs). The households who included a LF or a SLF as selected by the target inhabitants of the project were targeted for the study if the LF or the SLF conducted the training courses for their fellow farmers. The rate of the training conducted was 100% for all three techniques. It was more likely that the training was conducted per group as a training unit: namely, more than 70% for tree growing and soil conservation and 63.3% for gully control (Table 5). The opportunity to transfer the techniques through the training from LF or SLF to the farmers was achieved. The major information sources for the three techniques for the farmers was LF as is shown in Table 11, 16

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and 19, which present the responses regarding the information sources of the three techniques.

(2) Rate of participation in the training

With regard to the participation rate in the training by households who did not include an LF or SLF, the effectiveness of the approach was considered.

As shown in Table 26, the rate of participation in the training by the farmers for the three techniques, namely tree growing, soil conservation, and gully control, reached more than 90% over the first two years of the project intervention. Therefore, it is fair to say that the core pillar of the COVAMS approach was realized; the training was intended to be open to everyone.

Table 26: Rate of Participation in Training by Years Elapsed

	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Rate of participation in the training for tree growing	81.5%	90.3%	88.2%
Rate of participation in the training for soil conservation	88.8%	95.1%	97.0%
Rate of participation in the training for gully control	85.9%	94.0%	97.0%

2. Effectiveness of the approach for practicing techniques

Table 27 shows the tendency of the three techniques practiced for enhancing CMFAs by elapsed years.

The adoption rates of the three techniques excluding seedling production per household scored more than 50% in the first year of the project intervention. The increase in the adaption rate was the highest in the first year, and there were no significant differences in variation from the second to third years. It was concluded that, for enhancing the cost-effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, it is preferable that the project intervenes in the same village over a two-year period and then shifts to another village after the second year of the intervention because the high adoption rates are maintained by the farmers after the first year.

The reasons for this are explained below and why the adoption rate for practicing techniques using a milestone by farmers was set at 50%. The following is mentioned in the working paper No. 4, namely “Analysis of the COVAMS approach in its effectiveness” (hereinafter the “working paper”), which was drafted in April 2015.

The “diffusion model of innovation” tells us that certain people will adopt new things without much effort put forth for dissemination by the extension staff. These individuals are categorized as “Innovators.” Following the innovators, there are other groups of people who will try to adopt earlier than the majority with some external effort from dissemination, and they are categorized as the “Early Adopters” and “Early Majority.” The people in these categories may be found in villages with a rate of about 50% generally. The other remaining 50% of the people will take some time to adopt the new measure. Therefore, the COVAMS approach targets those people (potential farmers) who are relatively quick to adopt new things in order to achieve the desired impact, especially in the practice of techniques. (Analysis of the COVAMS approach in its effectiveness, 2015, pp. 2)

The explanation above is based on the theory of “Diffusion of Innovation” that Everett M. Rogers, a professor of rural sociology, popularized in his book *Diffusion of Innovations* in 1962. Rogers (1962, pp.5) argues that “Diffusion is the process by which an innovation is communicated through certain channels over time among the members of a social system.” This report follows the milestone stated in the working report in 2015 on the basis of “Diffusion of Innovation” for studying the extension strategies of the COVAMS approach.

(1) Effectiveness of the approach on the basis of the adoption rate of seedling production and tree planting

The adoption rate of seedling production was 60.8% before the project, and the rate for the first year increased to 83.8%. With regard to the categorization of seedling production, the adoption rate for seedling production per household during the first year was 13.6%, the rate per group was 54.8% and the rate for both was 15.4%. The adoption rate for tree planting was 65.2% before the project, and the rate for the first year increased to 84.6%. Both results show that the COVAMS approach improved the adoption rates for seedling production and tree planting.

After the project intervention, there were no significant differences in the adoption rates for seedling production and tree planting over the three year period. Moreover, it was discovered that the training provided by the LF and SLF emphasized seedling production by group more strongly than by household or by both. It was surmised that the sensitization activities and campaigns for tree planting that were provided occasionally by the NGOs and governmental extension staff drove the high adoption rates of seedling production and tree planting prior to the project intervention.

The total number of seedlings produced by the targeted 35 thousand households was estimated to be 2.33 million in total; the number of seedlings produced over the two year period was estimated to be 67 per household. The total number of trees planted by the targeted 35 thousand households was estimated to be 3.62 million; the number of trees planted was estimated to be 84 per household and 19 per group.

The working report in 2015 (p.1) states that “The cost of nurturing the LFs per LF was determined to be around US\$ 35 with an exchange rate of K 400.”¹¹ One LF was assigned to 15 fellow households. Although one LF had charge of the three techniques, namely tree growing, soil conservation and gully control, the following stipulates that one LF is responsible for one technique: tree growing. Under one LF with 15 households, to produce 1,005 seedlings¹² over the course of two years, the cost would be US\$ 35. Additionally, the cost for producing 100 seedlings is US\$ 3.50 (K 1,340–K 1,390). In the same

¹¹ The depreciation cost of motor bikes, fuel for CCOs and the TST, lunch allowances for LFs, the production cost of manuals, training materials and stationery are included in the cost of nurturing LFs. All components are calculated on a local currency basis; divide K 13,500–K 14,000 by K400/US\$ (April 2015) to get US\$ 35.

¹² 67 seedlings x 15 HHs

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manner, planting 1,545 trees¹³ over the first two years costs US\$ 35 and the cost for planting 100 trees is US\$ 2.30 (K 874–K 906).

Based on the costs simulated above for producing the seedlings and for planting the trees, the COVAMS approach has shown its effectiveness.

On the other hand, with regard to the planted area, the number of trees planted by household and by group for two years was studied. They are listed in descending order: “Garden” 0.825 million, “Woodlot” 0.76 million, “Homestead” 0.415 million, “River bank” 0.23 million, and “Mountain” 0.052 million.

The planted area was chosen by the farmers. It was not possible to verify whether a greater number of trees were planted in the effective areas selected by the farmers for catchment management because the COVAMS approach respects the principle of enhancing tree planting through the voluntary activities of the farmers. It is necessary to reflect comprehensively on various elements including the following: policies such as a land management plan, the budget to supplement the farmers’ activities, and the benefit of sharing the communal afforestation land, as well as tree planting efforts by the farmers through the COVAMS approach.

(2) Effectiveness of the approach on the basis of the adoption rate of soil conservation

The soil conservation techniques included contour farming and manure application. The adoption rate reached more than 80% in the first year of the project intervention. As mentioned above, contour farming included the aforementioned four techniques and some seasons were spent adopting the four techniques year by year because it was difficult for farmers to practice the four techniques at once during a single season in the first year. However, Table 15 and Figure 17 indicate that an economic interest in yield increases facilitated a high adoption rate for soil conservation in the first year. The results above show that the COVAMS approach enhanced the dissemination of soil conservation techniques.

(3) Effectiveness of the approach on the basis of the adoption rate of gully control

The adoption rate of gully control techniques was 8.9% before the start of the project. It increased to 69.1% in the first year and reached more than 70% by the third year. The increased rate of gully control was the highest of the three techniques, whereas the adoption rate stayed at approximately 70%. The probable reason for the lowest adoption rate was that it demanded more time and effort to collect the materials such as stones and timber for constructing the check dams. According to Figure 18, the most prominent reason for not constructing the check dams was “Don’t know the techniques” (97.6%) before the project and then “No gully to be rehabilitated” (62.8%) in the third year.

¹³ 84 trees (planted by household) + 19 trees (planted by group) x 15 HHs

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In Figure 20, the responses given for the benefits of gully control in descending order showed “Stopped soil erosion drastically,” “Land recreation” and “Reduces the speed of running water.” The benefits of constructing the check dams were thoroughly recognized by the farmers.

Table 27: Rate of Three Techniques Practiced through COVAMS Approach by Years Elapsed

	Before project	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Seedling production				
Adoption Rate	60.8%	83.8%	89.6%	90.7%
Adoption by HH	24.1%	13.6%	21.2%	27.9%
Adoption by group	35.5%	54.8%	48.0%	46.4%
Adoption by both	0.7%	15.4%	20.4%	16.4%
Tree planting				
Adoption Rate	65.2%	84.6%	88.3%	87.9%
Adoption by HH	N.A	63.2%	68.7%	64.3%
Adoption by group	N.A	48.2%	50.4%	45.7%
Soil conservation				
Adoption rate of contour ridging	15.8%	82.8%	92.4%	96.4%
Adoption rate of manure application	20.1%	84.1%	94.5%	94.3%
Gully control				
Adoption rate of check dam construction	8.9%	69.1%	69.0%	72.1%

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Questionnaire Survey for Impact Study on COVAMS Approach in 2016

Date : / / (DD/MM/YYYY)

Sample No : _____, Researcher : _____

Informant : _____ (_____),

District: Blantyre / Balaka / Mwanza / Neno, TA: _____, Village: _____,

Q1: Attribute

Please check attributes of the head of household.

A1. Gender	A2. Age	A3. No. of HH members		A4. Social stratum of the HH
1. Male, 2. Female	_____ years old	1. _____ persons (2.M _____, 3. F _____)		1. GVH, 2. VH, 3. SLF (_____), 4. LF (_____), 5. Others(_____)
A5. Ethnic group		A6. Literate		A7. Education level
1. Chewa, 2. Ngoni, 3. Yawo, 4. Others (specify _____)		1. Chichewa, 2. English, 3. Non		1. 0, 2. 1~3 years, 3. 4~6 years, 4. 7~10 years, 5 more than 10 years
A8. Main income resource of the HH	A9. Mobile phone	A10. Place to charge mobile phone	A11. Transportation property	
1. Agriculture, 2. Employee, 3. Commerce 4. Others(_____)	1.Non, 2.TNM, 3.Airtel, 4.Others(_____)	1.Home, 2.Shop, 3.Other(_____)	1.Motor bike, 2.Bicycle, 3.Cattle carriage(ox cart), 4.Others (_____)	

Q2. Popularity level of COVAMS

Do you know COVAMS Project?	B1	1. Yes 2. No
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What COVAMS activities do you know?	B2	1. Tree growing, 2. Soil conservation, 3. Gully control, 4. Others (_____)
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Do you know COVAMS LF of your Limana?	B3	1. Yes 2. No
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Q3. Implementation of training (If you are COVAMS LF or SLF)

When were you assigned as LF and SLF? Did you implement the trainings to your fellow farmers?

Season	Assignment		Implementation of training					
			Tree growing		Soil conservation		Gully control	
2015/16	C1	1. LF 2. SLF	C2	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C3	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C4	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know
2014/15	C5	1. LF 2. SLF	C6	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C7	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C8	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know
2013/14	C9	1. LF 2. SLF	C10	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C11	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know	C12	1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know

↓ if Yes

How do you conduct the training?

Season	Tree growing			Soil conservation			Gully control		
2015/16	C13	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C14	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C15	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know			
2014/15	C16	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C17	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C18	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know			
2013/14	C19	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C20	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know	C21	1. Individually 2. Group 3. Both 4. Don't know			

Q4. Participation of trainings (If you are not COVAMS LF nor SLF)

Did you attend training courses provided by LFs organized in COVAMS II

Season	Tree growing				Soil conservation				Gully control			
2015/16	D1	1. Yes	D2	Reason ()	D5	1. Yes	D6	Reason ()	D9	1. Yes	D10	Reason ()
		2. No	D3	Reason ()		2. No	D7	Reason ()		2. No	D11	Reason ()
	D4	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D8	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D12	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group		

Reason to attend: 1. Capacity development in general, 2. Interested to the technique, 3. The training is conducted, 4. To increase a productivity/income 5. To protect the land, 6. To diversify the income 7. Others (specify)

Reason NOT to attend: 1. COVAMS approach hadn't started, 2. Had mastered the technique, 3. Did not know there was a training, 4. Not interested, 5. Too busy to attend, 6. Others (specify)

2014/15	D13	1. Yes	D14	Reason ()	D17	1. Yes	D18	Reason ()	D21	1. Yes	D22	Reason ()
		2. No	D15	Reason ()		2. No	D19	Reason ()		2. No	D23	Reason ()
	D16	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D20	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D24	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group		

2013/14	D25	1. Yes	D26	Reason ()	D29	1. Yes	D30	Reason ()	D33	1. Yes	D34	Reason ()
		2. No	D27	Reason ()		2. No	D31	Reason ()		2. No	D35	Reason ()
	D28	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D32	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group			D36	if Yes 1. Individually 2. Group		

Q5. Practice of tree growing**Q5-1 Practice in 2015/2016 (tree growing)**

1. Did you raise seedlings?	E1	1. Yes, by individual	2. Yes, by group	3. Both	4. No	E2	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. Don't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How many seedlings did you raise?	E3	() seedlings
How did you use them?	E4	1. Planting: () seedlings 2. Selling: () seedlings, 3. Donating: () seedlings

if the answer of E1 is 1, 3 or 4

2. Did you plant seedlings?	E5	1. Yes	2. No	E6	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How did you get the seedlings?	E7	1. Produced by yourself 2. Purchased 3. Donated 4. Others (specify)
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Where and how many did you plant seedlings?	E8	1. Woodlot () seedlings 2. Garden () seedlings 3. Homestead () seedlings 4. River bank () seedlings
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3. Did you make direct sowing?	E9	Where and how many?	E10	1. Woodlot () stations 2. Garden () stations 3. Homestead () stations 4. River bank () stations
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4. Did you make natural regeneration?	E11	1. Yes 2. No	E12	if Yes () Ac
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if the answer of E1 is 2 or 3

What category of group?	E13	1. Village 2. Limana 3. Group	No. of members?	E14	() persons
How many seedlings did you raise?	E15	() seedlings			
How did you use them?	E16	1. Sold to outsider: () seedlings 2. Shared by group: () seedlings 3. Planted as community: () seedlings			
Where did you plant as community ?	E17	1. Woodlot: () seedlings 2. River bank: () seedlings			
Did you make direct sowing?	E18	1. Yes () stations in communal land 2. Yes () stations in other land 3. No			
Did you make natural regenerations in communal land?	E19	1. Yes 2. No			
	E20	if Yes () lands		E21	Total: () Ac

Q5-2. Practice in 2014/15 (tree growing)

1. Did you raise seedlings?	E22	1. Yes, by individual 2. Yes, by group 3. Both 4. No	E23	Reason ()
Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. Don't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)				
How many seedlings did you raise?	E24	() seedlings		
How did you use them?	E25	1. Planting () seedlings 2. Selling () seedlings, 3. Donating () seedlings		
if the answer of E22 is 1, 3 or 4				
2. Did you plant seedlings?	E26	1. Yes 2. No	E27	Reason ()
Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)				
How did you get the seedlings?	E28	1. Producing by yourself 2. Purchasing 3. Donating 4. Others (specify)		
Where and how many did you plant seedlings?	E29	1. Woodlot () seedlings	2. Garden () seedlings	3. Homestead () seedlings 4. River bank () seedlings
3. Did you make direct sowing?	E30	Where and how many?	E31	1. Woodlot () stations 2. Garden () stations 3. Homestead () stations 4. River bank () stations
4. Did you make natural regeneration?	E32	1. Yes 2. No	E33	if Yes () Ac

if the answer of E22 is 2 or 3

What category of group?	E34	1. Village 2. Limana 3. Group	No. of members?	E35	() persons
How many seedlings did you raise?	E36	() seedlings			
How did you use them?	E37	1. Sold to outsider: () seedlings 2. Shared by group: () seedlings 3. Planted as community: () seedlings			
Where did you plant as community ?	E38	1. Woodlot: () seedlings 2. River bank: () seedlings 3. Others (specify) () seedlings			

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Did you make direct sowing?	E39	1. Yes () stations in communal land 2. Yes () stations in other land 3. No
Did you make natural regenerations in communal land?	E40	1. Yes 2. No
	E41	↳ if Yes () lands E42 () Ac

Q5-3. Practice in 2013/14 (tree growing)

1. Did you raise seedlings?	E43	1. Yes, by individual	2. Yes, by group	3. Both	4. No	E44	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. Don't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How many seedlings did you raise?	E45	() seedlings
How did you use them?	E46	1. Planting () seedlings 2. Selling () seedlings, 3. Donating () seedlings

if the answer of E43 is 1, 3 or 4

2. Did you plant seedlings?	E47	1. Yes	2. No	E48	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Don't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

How did you get the seedlings?	E49	1. Producing by yourself 2. Purchasing 3. Donating 4. Others (specify)
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Where and how many did you plant seedlings?	E50	1. Woodlot () seedlings	2. Garden () seedlings	3. Homestead () seedlings	4. River bank () seedlings
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3. Did you make direct sowing?	E51	Where and how many?	E52	1. Woodlot () stations	2. Garden () stations	3. Homestead () stations	4. River bank () stations
	1. Yes 2. No						

4. Did you make natural regeneration?	E53	1. Yes 2. No	E54	if Yes () Ac
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if the answer of E1 is 2 or 3

What category of group?	E55	1. Village 2. Limana 3. Group	No. of members?	E56	() persons
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How many seedlings did you raise?	E57	() seedlings
How did you use them?	E58	1. Sold to outsider: () seedlings 2. Shared by group: () seedlings 3. Planted as community: () seedlings
Where did you plant as community?	E59	1. Woodlot: () seedlings 2. River bank: () seedlings
Did you make direct sowing?	E60	1. Yes () stations in communal land 2. Yes () stations in other land 3. No
Did you make natural regenerations in communal land?	E61	1. Yes 2. No
	E62	↳ if Yes () lands E63 () Ac

Q5-4. Practice before COVAMS II

Did you raise seedlings?	E64	1. Yes, by individual, 2. Yes, by group, 3. Both, 4. No
	E65	if No, Reason ()

Reason NOT to produce: 1. Not interested, 2. Didn't know the techniques, 3. Didn't have materials (seed, pot, etc.), 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

Did you plant seedlings?	E66	1. Yes 2. No	E67	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to plant: 1. Not interested, 2. Didn't know the techniques, 3. No land, 4. Too busy, 5. Others (specify)

Q5-5. Information channel (tree growing) if the informant practiced the technique (multiple choice)

How did you learn the technique?/	E68	1. Radio 2. Newspaper 3. Family 4. Neighbour 5. COVAMS
Who did you teach the technique?		6. COVAMS LF 7. LF 8. Others (specify)

Q6. Practice of soil conservation**Q6-1. Practice in 2015/16 (soil conservation)**

1. Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F1	1. Yes 2. No			
How wide is your conserved area?	F2	1. less than 80 cm: () ac, 2. 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: () ac			
What kinds of technique did you use?	F3	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row			
Did you apply manure?	F4	1. Yes () ac , 2. No			
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F5	1. Yes () ac , 2. No			
3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F6 () bags	F7 () kg/bag	F8 () kg	F9 () ac	F10 () kg/ac

Q6-2. Practice in 2014/15 (soil conservation)

1. Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F11	1. Yes 2. No
How wide is your conserved area?	F12	1. less than 80 cm: () ac, 2. 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: () ac
What kinds of technique did you use?	F13	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row

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Did you apply manure?	F14	1. Yes ()ac , 2. No
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F15	1. Yes ()ac , 2. No
3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F16 () bags	F17 () kg/bag
	F18 () kg	F19 () ac
	F20 () kg/ac	

Q6-3. Practice in 2013/14 (soil conservation)

Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F21	1.Yes 2.No
How wide is your conserved area?	F22	1. less than 80 cm: ()ac, 2. 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: ()ac
What kinds of technique did you use?	F23	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row
Did you apply manure?	F24	1. Yes ()ac 2. No
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F25	1. Yes ()ac 2. No
3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F26 () bags	F27 () kg/bag
	F28 () kg	F29 () ac
	F30 () kg/ac	

Q6-4. Practice before COVAMS II (soil conservation)

1. Did you practice soil conservation techniques?	F31	1.Yes 2.No
How wide is your conserved area?	F32	1. less than 80 cm: ()ac, 2, 85cm: () ac, 3. more than 90cm: ()ac
What kinds of technique did you use?	F33	1. Contour ridging, 2. Box ridge, 3. Swale, 4. Hedge row
Did you apply manure?	F34	1. Yes ()ac 2. No
2. Did you apply fertilizer?	F35	1. Yes ()ac 2. No

3. How many bags of maize did you harvest in your farm land where practiced the technique?	F36 ()	F37 ()	F38 ()	F39 ()	F40 ()
	bags	kg/bag	kg	ac	kg/ac

Q6-5. Information channel (soil conservation) if the informant practiced the technique (multiple choice)

How did you learn the technique?/ Who did you teach the technique?	F41	1. Radio 2. Newspaper 3. Family 4. Neighbour 5. COVAMS 6. COVAMS LF 7. LF 8. Others (specify)
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Q6-6. Benefit (soil conservation)

What benefit(s) have you obtained by practicing soil conservation technique? (Multiple choice)

F42: Benefit			
1 Increased the yield drastically	3 Increased the yield a little	5 Stopped soil erosion to some extent	7 Other (specify) ()
2 Increased the yield to some extent	4 Stopped soil erosion drastically	6 Stopped soil erosion a little	8 No benefit obtained

Q7. Practice of gully control

Q7-1 Practice in 2015/16 (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G1	1.Yes	2.No	G2	Reason ()
Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent 3. Technique insufficient, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)					
How many place?	G3	() places			
What distance between check dams?	G4	() m, () m, () m			

Q7-2. Practice in 2014/15 (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G5	1.Yes	2.No	G6	Reason ()
Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent 3. Technique insufficient, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)					
How many place?	G7	() places			
What distance between check dams?	G8	() m, () m, () m			

Q7-3. Practice in 2013/14 (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G9	1.Yes	2.No	G10	Reason ()
Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent					

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3. Don't know the technique, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)

How many place?	G11	() places
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What distance between check dams?	G12	() m, () m, () m
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Q7-4. Practice before COVAMS II (gully control)

Did you construct check dam?	G13	1.Yes, 2.No	G14	Reason ()
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Reason NOT to practice: 1. No gully to be rehabilitated, 2. Still not urgent 3. Don't know the technique, 4. Too busy to practice, 5. Others (specify)

Q7-5. Information channel (gully control) if the informant practiced the technique (multiple choice)

How did you learn the technique?/ Who did you teach the technique?	G15	1. Radio 2. Newspaper 3. Family 4. Neighbour 5. COVAMS 6. COVAMS LF 7. LF 8. Others (specify)
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Q7-6. Benefit

What benefit(s) have you obtained by practicing gully control? (Multiple choice)

G16: Benefit			
1 Stopped soil erosion drastically	3 Stopped soil erosion a little extent	5 Increased the yield to some extent	7 Other (specify) ()
2 Stopped soil erosion to some extent	4 Increased the yield drastically	6 Increased the yield a little	8 No benefit obtained



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**The project for Promoting Catchment Management Activity in Middle Shire
(COVAMS II)**

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1. Introduction

This paper is aiming at giving proper perception on COVAMS approach to the stakeholders of COVAMS 2 project and those who are interested in the said approach.

COVAMS approach has a feature that is effective for a campaign to extend “Conservation Practice” among the farmers in the entire Middle Shire catchment area. The approach allows having many farmers¹ who practice conservation technologies and rapid extension of target villages with relatively low operation cost². Moreover, the approach addresses cross cutting issues of catchment conservation.

The practice by many farmers is achieved with a principle of “Provision of equal opportunity for every farmer”. The farmers who practice conservation technologies during two year intervention period will experience tangible benefit such as increase of harvest of maize, stopping development of gullies. Simultaneously, practice of tree growing which is usually paid less attention by farmers is accelerated by the benefits mentioned above. The rapid extension with low operation cost is realized by concentrating resources on the side of implementer of training, and promoting farmer’s spontaneous action.

Accordingly, the COVAMS approach can be used as an entry point of promoting catchment conservation activities. Moreover, its operation system can be utilized continuously to promote other technologies even after the two year intervention. Therefore, as subsequent interventions are implemented in order to conserve the Middle Shire area thoroughly, the developed operation system in the village will assist farmers effectively and efficiently.

2. COVAMS Approach

2.1 Definition of COVAMS Approach

COVAMS approach can be defined as:

An extension methodology with a package of specified catchment conservation oriented technologies that aims at turning a large number of farmers into practice of catchment conservation activities through providing equal opportunity of learning for the respective villagers, and allows rapid expansion of target area with relatively low

¹ About 50% of entire households of a village in three years of intervention practiced the promoted technologies with COVAMS approach under COVAMS project (2007 ~2012).

² The operation cost of the COVAMS approach was about MK1,460 per household in 2010 /2011 of operation year.

operation cost.

2.2 Mechanism of the approach

- Provision of training for villagers with a principle that equal opportunity of learning should be provided for every villager.

There are two purposes with the provision of equal opportunity. One is to build good relationship between the villagers and the extension service provider; the other is to access to as many farmers as possible in order to maximize the number of practicing farmers of the intended technologies within a limited period. The more participants of the training, the more you obtain practicing farmers.

However, the decision making of participation and practicing is on the farmers. So the approach has no control over the participation and practice part.

- Easy access to the training

The approach utilizes village human resources as a trainer named Lead Farmer (LF). Any villagers are able to participate in the training since the LFs conduct the training in their right spot of respective villages.

Additionally, multiple numbers of LFs like one LF for every 20 to 25 households are nurtured in a village, and simultaneously, the LFs are **elected by households** in the group. These strategies made the training venue very reachable for every villager. Moreover, as the LFs are from the same village as the villagers, they will be able to **repeat the same training** for those who missed the training.

- Optimal combination of technologies addressing cross-cutting issues of catchment conservation

The package of technologies of COVAMS approach addresses cross-cutting issues of catchment conservation. Soil erosion control technologies such as contour ridging planting method for maize growing, manure making and gully control method are agriculture oriented and tree growing technologies are forestry oriented. Usually, farmers pay less attention to tree growing activity but they commit themselves even in tree growing activity because of the combination of short term benefit realizing technologies of soil erosion control, especially contour ridging and manure making. In this sense, the combination of those technologies of the package is optimal to achieve the purpose of the approach.

- Provision of TOT

The LFs are provided technical training to be the trainer (TOT). The contents of the training are quite simple and practical but enough to teach their fellow farmers.

The TOT is conducted by an extension officer who is also trained in all the fields of the TOT so that the quality of the LFs as a trainer assured. The quality of the LFs is assured not only by what is mentioned above but also by election. According to a study in psychology³, in a smaller group, people can identify eligible person to the position and the person who is identified will have strong commitment to the given role.

- 2 year intervention

The intervention period by the extension organ for a village is for two years only. During the two years, the LFs will earn confidence in teaching the technologies with technical assistance from the extension officer and since they are going to remain in the same village, it is assumed that the village can be weaned from the intervention after two years.

- One extension officer assigning system

One extension officer will be able to take care of about 10 villages at a time as the officer is equipped with all the required knowledge on the technologies, doesn't matter which department the officer belongs to. Hence it makes the operation cost effective. At the same time, the cost for nurturing the LFs is only for the lunch allowance during the TOT for them.

2.3 Silent Feature

COVAMS approach has a silent feature that allows other technologies easier to be disseminated.

The key point of COVAMS approach is to build a good relationship between farmers and extension service provider. With the equal opportunity for training participation and introduction of short term benefit technologies will contribute to make a good relationship. Once the good relationship is built, the farmers will have more curiosity on what extension officers are bringing into the village. Hence dissemination of subsequent technologies will be easier.

³ Drive; Daniel D. Pink, 2011 (This can also refer to Identity Theory of McCall and Simons)

3. Utilization of the approach

To achieve catchment conservation of Middle Shire area requires continuous integrated intervention. However, considering the situation of the area, there is no more grace period for preparing the integrated one. Rather, it is necessary to get immediate action that triggers reducing degradation of resources in the area even though it won't give a comprehensive result. It would be wise to start with creating awareness that conservation practice will give farmers benefits, and COVAMS approach has a great potential to realize it along with tangible results by implementing above mechanism.

- Selection of technologies through needs survey

There might be some options on the technologies which contribute to the intended issues. In that case, ideal technologies should be selected through simple needs survey so that higher practicing rate will be achieved.

- Inclusion of highly fascinating subjects

The subjects will depend on what the extension service provider wants to disseminate and be practiced by farmers. Urgent matter and simple technologies will be suitable and possible to choose. Moreover, short term benefiting technologies should be included.

- Layered operation

The number of subjects of COVAMS approach is limited with an intention of rapid expansion of target area in order to cover whole area of Middle Shire so that as many farmers as possible will be encouraged to start practice of the introduced technologies. Moreover, with the practicing of those technologies by 30 to 50% of entire households in Middle Shire area will make a great impact to create awareness that practicing such technologies will bring them good benefit.

However, it is obvious that the catchment conservation won't be achieved only with those technologies. Hence more subsequent intervention will be necessary. In this sense, the operation system which COVAMS approach developed can be utilized by any extension service providers for issues such that villagers can handle by themselves using village human resources. The villagers should prioritize the necessary interventions, and extension service providers will carry out a few of those with the operation system and continue the intervention in such a way as to coat a cake with icing.



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Modification in allocation of LF

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1. Summary

The aim of this paper is to explain the intentions and reasons for the modification on the allocation of LFs to each village under COVAMS 2 project.

The number of LFs in a village has been increased under the project for Promoting Catchment Management Activities in Middle Shire (hereafter COVAMS 2 project). Furthermore, the demarcation of areas to elect LFs of a village is modified from clan to a group artificially made.

The modification of allocation of LFs is still under trial. The intention of the increase is to reduce the workload of the LFs compare to that of COVAMS project as they are going to work on voluntary basis in conducting trainings for their fellow farmers. The final decision will be made by analyzing the performance of the LFs within the project period.

2. Background

Conducting training by LF should be assured for villagers under COVAMS approach. The assurance shall be extended to equal opportunity on participation in training for all the villagers of a target village. The assurance of equal opportunity is realized by repeating the same training for those who missed it at the village. With these assurances, COVAMS approach will be able to seize large number of farmers who practice the technologies of the provided training. In order to achieve the assurances, “conducting training” was handled as a realm of project activity; hence the project provided payment of trainer’s fee for the LFs. Although the trainer’s fee was quite minimal, the COVAMS project achieved a very high performance.

However, COVAMS 2 project is advised of no payment of trainer’s fee to the LFs so as to adhere to the government policy of Malawi, especially with the Ministry of Agriculture. Ministry of Agriculture has been established LF concept earlier, and came up with a policy that LF should work on voluntary basis without remuneration. Nonetheless, an assessment study on the LF concept found that it is not effective without any incentives for the LFs. In order to fill this gap, the ministry encourages provision of incentives in kind for LFs to rise up their motivation to work.

This adherence to the government policy would bring the approach a crucial and substantial change in the operation of training. One crucial point is that there will be no means of control over the LFs in conducting training without remuneration. An

incentive in kind might work like remuneration, but the question is “what is the difference between cash and in kind?” At the same time, the incentive in kind will make the operation be costly with its purchase and distribution cost. Hence the COVAMS 2 project decided to observe the LF's sticking to their voluntarism. In short, the implementation of training has been plucked out from the operation of the approach and left it to the goodwill of the LF's, in other words, no more assurance but expectations. Now the challenge for the project is to pursue how to encourage the LF's to conduct training without the remuneration.

As one of the solutions to the challenge, COVAMS 2 project decided to try to increase the number of LF's in a village so that the workload of each LF will be reduced. Furthermore, the risk of no training at all in a village would be reduced in a sense that there will be some LF's who have a strong willingness to volunteer for their fellow villagers among the large number of LF's of the village. The way to decide the number of LF in a village however, is still under trial. The project is going to find the best way as the operation goes on.

3. Transition of allocation of the LF in a village

3.1 COVAMS project

The number of LF's in a village under COVAMS project was basically five (5). The composition of the LF's was two (2) for Soil erosion control, two (2) for Tree growing, and one (1) for Gully control, although these numbers were flexible depends on the size of the village. The LF's were trained in their respective subject only.

3.2 Plan before commencement of COVAMS 2

The strategy of COVAMS 2 in the allocation of LF's was to nurture two LF's (a male and a female) in each clan of a village. Another modification is on the number of subject for a LF. Each LF will be trained in all subjects of the three.

The model case of a village whose size is 100 households and there are 5 clans. In this case, the number of LF's is 10 (5 females and 5 males). This figures out that each LF will have 10 households only which need to be taken care of. With 10 LF's in the village, the least number of trainings to be conducted for each subject will be 10. The burden of a LF will be three times of trainings to conduct.

It was thought that these numbers will be able to reduce the workload of the LF's.

Simultaneously, smaller group makes easier to plan the training accommodating all the households' conditions and opinions. This, somehow, would be able to assure the equal opportunity for everyone, too.

However, there was a concern that the perception of “Clan” by villagers was not uniformed. There would be a case that a village claims unrealistic number of clans compare to its size of the village.

3.3 Actual operation in 2013 of COVAMS 2

The determination factor of the allocation of LFs for a village has been changed to “village size basis” from “Clan basis”. This change was caused by the variety of sizes of clan in the target villages as well as unrealistic large number of LFs required, which may cause difficulty to institutionalize the approach into government policy.

The average sizes of a clan at the beginning of the project were shown in table 1 below. Table 2 shows the number of villages that counts the number of households per LF less than nine (9).

Table 1

District	No. of villages	Total no. of H/H of the target villages	Total no. of clan of the target villages	Average of H/H of a clan	Expected No. of LFs
Blantyre	20	5,102	104	49	208
Balaka	20	1,696	144	12	288
Mwanza	25	2195	87	25	174
Neno	10*	2675	116	23	232
Total	70	11,668	451		902

Neno 10* : Initial number of village was 22 but there is no record of no. of households of some villages. Therefore, the number is the selected villages for the operation in 2013.

Table 2

District	No. of villages with less than 9 H/H per LF
Blantyre	2
Balaka	17
Mwanza	10
Neno	1
Total	30 villages

Those two tables were findings at the planning stage. The average number of households of a clan in Blantyre was twice higher than that of the plan before

commencement of COVAMS 2, while Balaka's was half of that. With such situation, the project thought that it would be difficult to standardize the workload of the LFs with the allocation of LFs by clans. Moreover, the total number of LFs will be more than 900 for 70 villages. This number of LFs may not be realistic in terms of the cost to nurture LFs when it comes to institutionalization of the approach into government policy. Accordingly, the project decided to modify the system.

A suggestion was made by the DMT members that the allocation of LFs for each village will be determined by the size of a village by dividing the total number of households by 20 to 25, although the group can stick to the clan as much as possible. For instance, a village with 200 households will have 10 to 8 LFs. With this allocation system, the number of LFs will be the same or sometimes less than that of COVAMS project when the village size is less than 100. However, when the size becomes bigger, the number of LFs will be increased as the above example shows. Moreover, the number of LFs can be adjusted depends on the village situation in case the residents are scattered. This group size is almost the same size as the one of the department of Agriculture extension services. It was agreed by all the DMT members to go along with this suggestion.

With this adjustment of the allocation system, the actual number of LFs in total for the operation of 2013 becomes 350 as the table 3 shows.

Table3

District	No. of village	Total no. of H/H of the target villages	No. of Clans	No. of LFs	Average number of H/H for a LF
Blantyre	10	2,372	47	100	24
Balaka	20	1,696	144	70	24
Mwanza	10	1,314	38	63	21
Neno	10	2,675	116	115	23
Total	50	8,057	345	348	

As the table 3 shows, the number of households per LF has been contained in a small range.

The project will have to observe carefully if this size of households for a LF will work or need to be reduced.



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Additional analysis on Baseline survey result of COVAMS II project

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1 Demographic characteristic

➤ There might be a tendency that male headed household is almost twice more than that of female in Mwanza and Neno districts.

2 Source of family income

➤ 25% of the people sell Maize in most districts except Balaka district.

➤ Other crops and piece work are the major income of the households in all the districts.

➤ Charcoal selling shared 20% in Neno and Balaka districts while other districts have almost none.

➤ The farmers of Mwanza seem to be able to live on with their crops selling, since maize and other crops are the major source of their income. Or, the situation of Mwanza could be that the farmers have little opportunity in piece work so then they are inevitably not engaging in piece work, and being compelled to live with little income from the crops.

3 Tree growing

Individual activity

➤ More than 80% of the farmers have no woodlot.

➤ Of those who have woodlot, the area of the woodlot is mostly less than 0.25ha.

➤ It means that there is no reason to expect them to plant many trees as individual.

➤ In fact, most farmers of those who planted had just planted less than 50 seedlings each year no matter where the places are.

➤ Natural regeneration method has more potential to pervade the practice among the farmers, especially Neno and Balaka since around 50% of the farmers have some land with the method.

(Number of people planted from 2010 to 2012)

Table 1: Planting tree		Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
Woodlot	Most	8	19	7	21
	Least	5	18	4	12
Homestead	Most	15	13	15	30
	Least	4	3	4	25
Garden boundary	Most	6	5	3	6
	Least	3	3	2	2
Total	Most	29	37	25	57
	Least	12	24	10	39
Percent against total interviewees	Most	0.22	0.25	0.17	0.39
	Least	0.09	0.16	0.07	0.27

➤ Homestead is the most place farmers planted seedlings in all the district in a range between 13 to 30 which mode is 15 farmers, while woodlot became the second place. While around 80% of the farmers have no woodlot, it is natural for them to plant trees at their homestead. This result explains why less than 50 seedlings were planted in a year.

➤ Garden boundary is the least place where farmers plant trees.

➤ The percentage of the farmers who plant trees is around 20% except Balaka which has almost 40% at

most if the farmers who planted trees in all the three sites are different households.

➤Considering the situation, it is better to recommend to raise seedlings individually rather than making a community nursery since they need only 50 seedlings or less in a year. This way, it becomes more manageable in raising seedling.

➤Another way of planting trees is direct sowing. Suppose the survival rate is as low as 20% with the direct sowing, just sow 250 seeds would be enough to grow 50 trees in a year. It is significant to encourage the farmers to deal with this direct sowing method.

➤In that sense, it maybe be considerable that the training in tree growing should start from direct sowing and natural regeneration method and then finally goes to planting seedling method.

Table 2 : Survival rate	Average of 3 years	Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
Woodlot	> 50%	31%	13.3%	58.8%	16.5%
Homestead	> 50%	12.7%	27.5%	47.8%	7.1%
Garden boundary	> 50%	18.1%	38.3%	66.6%	11.1%
Garden	> 50%	8.3%	27.4%	20.8%	88.9%
Regeneration	> 50%	46.8%	26%	76.9%	73%

➤According to the result of survival rate, the knowledge the farmers have on tree management seems not to be adequate. In fact very few farmers got the survival rate more than 50% in most district except Neno.

➤This is explainable with the result of management practice. Very few farmers do after care of the planted trees except weeding. But considering rampant burning of grass causing severe damage to planted trees, even weeding is doubtful if it is done effectively.

➤It could be that they don't plant the trees in good timing, and that could also be the causes of poor survival rate of planted trees in woodlot and homestead except Neno district.

➤The experience of the very low survival rate by farmers could contribute to the tendency of low practicing rate since they could feel that they wasted a lot of time to raise seedlings.

➤The result of natural regeneration may explain well why farmers have a place for the same method. Probably it is easy for them and get good result.

➤The reason why the survival rate at homestead is low could be blamed to animals around the house. Knowledge on protection of planted trees at homestead may be necessary.

Communal activity

➤Table 3 is a rough interpretation in the number of villages which have communal woodlot and woodland for natural regeneration including no both woodlot and woodland from question 1.2.

Table 3 :

Communal land for tree growing		Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
Village Woodlot	None	4	7	6	8
	1	4	3	3	12
Village Natural regeneration woodland	None	4	8	6	15
	1	4	2	3	5

Possible no. of villages without communal land	2	5	4	3
	20%	50%	40%	15%

* If a village have both village woodlot and village natural regeneration woodland, the percentage of the village which has no communal land may increase.

Table 4 : Existence of River bank

		Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
Village river bank	None	4	7	9	16
	Exist	6	3	1	4
		60%	30%	10%	20%

Table 5 : Area of communal area for tree growing

		Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
Village Woodlot	<1ha	88%	100%	82%	100%
	>1, <5ha	8%	0	10%	0
	>5ha	0	0	8%	0
Village Natural regeneration woodland	<1ha	43%	97%	13%	62%
	>1, <5ha	13%	3%	18%	38%
	>5ha	44%	0	69%	0
Village River bank	<1ha	81%	100%	33%	29%
	>1, <5ha	1%		56%	67%
	>5ha	18%		11%	4%

* Of the village woodlot, 88%, 65%, and 77% of Blantyre, Mwanza and Neno respectively are less than 0.25ha.

➤Majority of Communal woodlot is quite small in most villages. This will support that encouragement of individual raising seedlings could be more effective.

➤To increase tree coverage in the areas, it is necessary to encourage planting trees more in a garden with Agroforestry.

➤Most important thing is that each district ought to have own plan where to target to plant trees and which method they should encourage to the farmers.

➤The participation in communal tree planting and maintenance work was not that many within the range of 15% to 20% except Balaka. In Balaka more than 50% of the people participated in the communal work in tree. So it may be better to learn how come Balaka farmers decided to participated in the communal work.

➤Low percentage of participation in communal work is usually caused by no clear benefit for the participants if they will be able to access to the trees in the future.

➤The species of the planted trees is in a range of 4 to 6. Neno district seems to be the least number of species while Balaka people using many tree species proportionally.

➤Balaka however, planting Blue gum is the most popular variety despite the district is the driest district among the 4 districts.

➤At least 7 species of trees can be found in the natural regeneration site in all the district. Balaka district seems to be the richest district in tree species.

4 Soil erosion control

Cultivation area

- The mode of the area for maize growing is in a range of 0.25 to 0.49ha in most of the districts except Neno.
- The percentage of the cultivation area of the range 0.25 to 0.49 shares 41%, 32.6%, 26%, and 36.6% for Blantyre, Mwanza, Neno, and Balaka respectively.
- The cultivation area of less than 0.25ha also shares quite significant percentage with 31.1%, 22.9%, and 14.1% for Blantyre, Mwanza, and Balaka respectively.
- The two ranges (less than 0.24ha and 0.25 to 0.49ha) of the cultivation area becomes more than 50% except Neno and especially the share reaches 72% in Blantyre, while Neno counts 37%.
- The farmers in Neno cultivate relatively larger area for maize since the mode is more than 1ha.
- This means that to increase maize production should be interpreted as to increase yield since they don't have extra cultivation area.

Harvest

Table 6: Mode in the number of bags harvested of Maize

Year	Blantyre		Mwanza	
	Bags	Ratio	Bags	Ratio
2010	5 to 6	23.5%	20 to 30	17.6%
2011	7 to 8	17.6%	9 to 10	17.5%
2012	5 to 6	25.8%	7 to 8	17.9%
Year	Neno		Balaka	
	Bags	Ratio	Bags	Ratio
2010	3 to 4	20 to 30	5 to 6	16.2%
2011	7 to 8	20 to 30	7 to 8	14.0%
2012	20 to 30		7 to 8	27.7%

Table 7: Ratio of number of bags harvested by cluster

Year	Bags	Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
		Ratio	Ratio	Ratio	Ratio
2010	<10	68.8%	45.5%	43%	51.5%
	10 to 19	23.5%	25%	27%	27.2%
	>20	7.5%	25.7%	25.2%	11.7%
2011	<10	73.2%	49.6%	49.9%	47.4%
	10 to 19	23.6%	32.1%	27.8%	37.9%
	>20	3.3%	17.6%	20.4%	14%
2012	<10	67.8%	56.5%	42.8%	67.7%
	10 to 19	25.8%	24.3%	29.6%	23%
	>20	6.4%	17.2%	26.7%	8.4%

- The mode in production is found in a range of 6 to 9 bags of 50kg in Blantyre, Mwanza and Balaka with lowest of Blantyre and highest of Mwanza. It seems the production is affected by the climate. The target areas of Blantyre and Balaka are relatively dry so the production is constantly low while the climate of the target area of Mwanza seemed to keep on changing.

➤ Meanwhile, Neno produces more with more than 20bags in the mode. This seems to be because of larger area of cultivation. Apparently those who cultivate small area produces almost the same quantity as other districts.

➤ Generally, households which produce less than 10 bags of mazie counts around 50% in all the districts, especially Blantyre district reaches to about 70% chronically. Estimated Maize annual consumption per

Especially Blantyre district reaches to about 70% chronically. Estimated maize annual consumption per capita in Malawi is reported in a range between 150kg to 180kg. It means that in a family, they need about 580kg to 730kg of maize annually assuming 4 members in a family. This means that about 50% of families were unable to produce required amount of Maize for their family.

Table 8: Relation between harvest and cultivation area in yield (2012)

Production (kg)		75	175	275	375	475	525	625
Yield(t) / ha		0.3t	0.7t	1.1t	1.5t	1.9t	2.2t	2.6t
District	Area							
Blantyre	0.24ha	9.5%	11.9%	23.8%	26.2%	11.9%	9.5%	2.4%
Mwanza	0.24ha	10.7%	10.7%	17.9%	10.7%	17.9%	3.6%	0
Neno	0.24ha	9.1%	27.3%	9.1%	27.3%	27.3%	0	0
Balaka	0.24ha	7.1%	14.3%	28.6%	14.3%	21.4%	0	7.1%

Production		725	825	925	1250	1750	2250
Yield (t) / ha		3t	3.4t	3.8t	5.2t	7.3t	9.3t
District	Area						
Blantyre	0.24ha	2.4%	0	2.4%	0	0	0
Mwanza	0.24ha	3.6%	7.1%	0	17.9%	0	0
Neno	0.24ha	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balaka	0.24ha	0	0	0	0	0	7.1%

Production (kg)		75	175	275	375	475	525	625
Yield(t) / ha		0.08t	0.2t	0.3t	0.4t	0.5t	0.58t	0.7t
District	Area							
Blantyre	0.9ha	0	10%	50%	20%	0	0	0
Mwanza	0.9ha	0	0	18.2%	9.1%	0	9.1%	9.1%
Neno	0.9ha	0	0	7.7%	0	7.7%	0	23.1%
Balaka	0.9ha	0	0	4.8%	28.6%	19%	9.5%	14.3%

Production		725	825	925	1250	1750	2250
Yield (t) / ha		0.8t	0.9t	1t	1.4t	1.9t	2.5t
District	Area						
Blantyre	0.9ha	10%	0	0	10%	0	0
Mwanza	0.9ha	9.10%	0	0	36.4%	9.1%	0
Neno	0.9ha	0	15.4%	15.4%	23.1%	7.7%	0
Balaka	0.9ha	9.5%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	0	0

➤It is obvious that those who cultivated smaller area got higher productivity than those of wider area cultivation. Those who got yield less than 1t shares 21% in Blantyre, Mwanza and Balaka under the cultivation of less than 0.24ha while Neno got 36%. On the other hand, the share of less than 1t in 0.9ha reaches 90% in Blantyre and Balaka, while Mwanza and Neno reaches 54%.

➤The mode in yield is around 1.5t for less than 0.24ha of cultivation in all the districts and the percentage accumulates about 60% in the range between 1t to 2t, while it is around 0.3t to 0.4t and 1t to 1.5t for 0.9ha in Blantyre, Balaka and Mwanza, Neno respectively.

➤It is noteworthy that there are several households whose yield went beyond 3t which gives 15bags from less than 0.24ha. This fact gives that 0.24ha is not that small to produce the required amount of maize for a family. In that sense, those who cultivate around 1ha with the yield of 0.3t or 0.4t should be encouraged to scale down so that they will be able to save the labour and resources and invest them in other thing.

Table9: Comparison in maize yield bwtween countour ridging and / or manure practiced ony and average of the yield of both none practiced and practiced farmers (plenary) in 2012

Mwanza

Area cultivated	Contour	Plenary	Share
b	3,463	1,764	22%
c	2,027		
d	885		
e	805	1,103	22%
f	697		

*share: This is the ratio of farmers who practice contour ridging and / or manure application against the total number of farmers in the same category of the area cultivated.

*Plenary: This is the average of the maize product of all the farmers including those who practiced contour ridging and /or manure application who cultivated maize in 2012.

Blantyre

	Contour	Plenary	Share
b	2,038	1431	11%
c	1,468		
d	1,395		
e	500	434	3%
f	515		

*Contour: This is the average of maize product of those who practiced contour ridging and / or manure in 2012.

*Average of maize production: For the calculation, middle values were used in the area and production of each segment except b and f in the area, and n for the production. E.g. Area: b=0.24ha, c=0.37ha, d=0.62ha, f=1.2ha
Production: b=1.5bags with 50kg of weight, n=45bags

Neno

	Contour	Plenary	Share
b	2,031	985	22%
c	2,660		
d	1,693		
e	893	673	9%
f	925		

Balaka

	Contour	Plenary	Share
b	1,666	1,246	4%
c	1,528		
d	1,235		
e	669	602	15%
f	762		

➤ Apparently higher yield is observed in contour ridged and / or manure applied field than none practice field. The gap between the practiced and none practiced should be a little more than the one in the table since the plenary one includes practiced yield of contour ridging and manure applied fields.

➤ The difference between the practiced and planary at "b" of the cultivated area is quite significant. It was 1.38-fold more yield of practiced fields in average in Blantyre and Balaka districts, and 2twice more of the practiced than plenary fields. The gap between the practiced and plenay in average of all the districts is 1.69- fold more with practiced fields.

➤ The gap between the practiced and plenary becomes smaller as the cultivated area grows wider. It is infered that the farmers who cultivate wider area exercised poor field management like late weeding, lack of fertilizer as well as cultivation of small area for contour ridging and / or manure application practice so the advantage of the yield of the practiced field was diminished by the yield of none practiced area.

➤ It is apparent that poor field management will start when farmers reached to 0.75ha or more of cultivation area.

➤ Suppose the required amount of maize for a family of 4 members is 580kg annually , it seems that it is possible to produce enough maize with around 0.24ha of cultivation area by practicing contour ridges, manure application and probably with fertilizer because its production reaches 2t which count about 10 bags of maize of 50kg from the same area in three districts.

Table 10: Sales of production (%)

Maize

	Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka	Total average
Average of 3	15.6%	23.1%	14.9%	8.9%	15.6%

Table 11: Quantity of maize sales on average of 3 years

No. of bags	Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka	Average
less than 1	33.7%	48.5%	40.0%	22.7%	36.2%
1 to 2					
3 to 4					
5 to 6	47.9%	45.5%	24.6%	51.1%	42.3%
7 to 8					
9 to 10					
11 or more	18.4%	6.0%	35.4%	26.1%	21.5%

Table 12: Application of fertilizers (%)

	Type	Quantity	Blantyre	Mwanza	Neno	Balaka
Average in 3 years	Basal	None	64.0%	63.0%	51.0%	22.0%
		Less than 1	32.0%	36.0%	46.0%	58.0%
	Top	None	63.0%	63.0%	49.0%	9.0%
		Less than 1	33.0%	35.0%	48.0%	51.0%

➤ Only 15.6% of the farmers of the four districts could exchange their maize with money although this doesn't mean that they had extra maize. It can be analysed from the tables of 10, 11, 12 that it is not contributing for purchasing fertilizers but supporting livelihoods since most of them could sell not many.

➤ Considering the point that they may be able to produce enough maize with 0.24ha and suppose they have a cultivation area of 0.5ha on average, it is possible that they will be able to sell more maize or produce other cash crops by learning proper or effective farm management.

➤ In this sense, to demonstrate how to earn money within their reach may be a good help for the farmers together with provision of training for effective farm management.

➤ Balaka farmers had got some support from inputs providing organizations so they could apply fertilizers.



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1. Summary

The concept of COVAMS approach is ought to be “Speedy”, “Effective”, and “Inexpensive” when one think of incorporation of the approach into the district plan for catchment conservation of Shire River. “Speedy” in terms of expansion of the target villages, “Effective” in terms of practicing rate by farmers of the disseminated techniques, and “Inexpensive” in terms of cost in the operation but this can be translated into “High value” in terms of cost effectiveness.

“Speedy” was somehow proven in comparison with 2013 and 2014 planting season operation in the number of villages. It was only 50 villages in total of Blantyre, Mwanza, Balaka, and Neno districts in 2013 and the number was increased to 171 villages in 2014, while the number of extension staff involved in the operation was 20 in total of the four districts in 2013 and increased to 25 in 2014. The average of number of village for an extension staff was 6.8.

“Effective” can be considered as satisfactory. COVAMS approach promotes three important techniques for catchment conservation, which are “Tree growing”, “Contour ridging”, and “Gully repairing”. The practice rate against the total number of households (25,836 households) in the 171 villages in tree growing was 29%, and contour ridging was 27% in average of the four districts although gully repairing was 14% in 2014 /2015 planting season. Considering about 70% of the total villages (121 villages) were for the first year of the intervention, the practicing rate was quite satisfactory.

“Inexpensive” or “High value” is also considered as achieved from the view point of cost effectiveness. COVAMS approach employs LF system for the dissemination of the three techniques. The cost of nurturing LFs per LF was figured out around US\$35 with the exchange rate of K400. It aggregates to the total cost of US\$59,675 for 1,705 LFs of the four districts. It looks a bit costly but when you look at the number of farmers practicing contour ridging, it was found not that costly. It was figured out that it costs about US\$3 only in order to manipulate a farmer with 0.19ha of contour ridging, which is the average of the cultivated area with contour ridges per practicing farmer.

The COVAMS project which was implemented from 2007 to 2012 found out through

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“Economic impact survey of COVAMS approach” that the value of benefit from practicing contour ridging of 0.25ha would be US\$11 to US\$82. The amounts were calculated out with the value of Nitrogen which was contained in the soil conserved in the garden due to contour ridging together with other soil protection techniques such as box ridges and swale. The value was translated into monetary form reflecting the commercial price of Urea fertilizer. Therefore, the value of the practiced area per farmer in 2014 / 2015 planting season would be about US\$9 to US\$62 by adjusting the area to 0.19ha. In short, the return of the investment was in a range of 2.5-fold to 17.7-fold.

2. The core of COVAMS Approach

The core aim of COVAMS approach is to provide and **assure equal opportunities of participation in training to all the farmers** in a village. This will promote large number of farmers to participate in the training and realizes maximization of practice by potential farmers within the short period of intervention which is for two years basically. In short, **the frame work of the approach is to provide the training to farmers** and the participation in the training by the farmers and their practice of the techniques are an outcome or impact. However, it is important to achieve an impressive impact. In order to achieve the impressive impact in the area, COVAMS approach takes a strategy of rapid increase of the number of target villages.

“Diffusion model of innovation” tells that there are certain people who will adopt new things without much effort for dissemination by extension staff. Those are categorized as “Innovators”. Following the innovators, there are other groups of people who will try to adopt earlier than majority with some external effort for the dissemination, and they are categorized as “Early adopters” and “Early majority”. Those people in the categories may be found in a village with a rate of 50% generally. Another remaining 50% of the people will take time to adopt it. Therefore COVAMS approach target at those people (potential farmer) who are relatively easy to adopt new things for achieving the impact, especially in the practice of the techniques.

Current situation of dissemination of those techniques in villages in the area is analyzed poor. Meaning not many farmers have exposed to the techniques yet so far. The significance of the approach is to solve this poor dissemination situation by approaching to all the farmers in the villages with the provision of equal

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opportunity to participate in the training. By doing so, the information of the techniques will reach to all the potential farmers who may practice them subsequently. Hence the expectation of achievable practicing rate would be more or less 50% against the entire households of the villages. The 50% may be too ambitious, so it could be justified by aiming at the range between 30% and 50%.

It is not that impressive with the practicing rate of around 30% if it was targeted at a small number of villages. However, when it is aggregated from a great deal of villages, for example, 30% of the entire households in the middle Shire catchment area, it can be said that it is an impressive impact. COVAMS approach is trying to achieve this effect by rapid increase of the number of villages.

3. Extension system of COVAMS approach

COVAMS approach employs a system that utilizes human resources of villages as a trainer of the training, who is named Lead Farmer (LF). The number of LFs in a village is determined by the number of the entire households of the village. One LF is responsible to more or less 15 households in providing trainings and to conduct the training of all the three techniques, so the number of LFs in a village is calculated out with the following formula:

“Number of Households of a village” \div 16 (a LF + 15 members) = “Number of LFs”

However, the number of the LFs in a village can be flexible depending on the topographical situation of villages and social solidarity of a clan (Limana), since the group members belong to a clan in most cases.

COVAMS approach regulates rigidly that the LFs are to be chosen with an election by the group members. This process will work as one of the motivations of the LFs to work seriously since they will feel that the group members are respecting them as eligible person.

The participation in the training by the group member is thoroughly depends on their willingness. What the LFs can do is to disseminate the information of the training to all the members. There is no provision of start-up package for the participants to practice the techniques, although the approach recommends supplying some materials for conducting the trainings such as polythene tubes for raising tree seedlings, line levels, strings and nails for contour ridging, and Panga

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knives for check dam construction.

In order to encourage and motivate the LFs to conduct the trainings, the following things are provided to the LFs apart from the election mentioned above:

- i. Practice based training of trainers (TOT)
- ii. Lunch allowance when participated in TOT
- iii. The training materials which were mentioned earlier
- iv. Introduction meeting as LFs to the village community after completed the TOT in order to be recognized and respected
- v. Provisional certificate after TOT and proper certificate after completion of the conditions to be a LF
- vi. COVAMS T shirt
- vii. Invitation to training for conducting field day

4. Result of COVAMS approach in 2014 / 2015 season

4.1 Achievement in the training by LFs

Table 1 shows the achievement in the training by LF of all the four districts in 2014 / 2015 planting season.

The result shows that about 80% of LFs have conducted training in Tree growing and Soil conservation (includes contour ridging, box ridges, swale techniques) while about 60% of LF have conducted Gully repairing. The reasons why the training in Gully repairing achieved lower ratio is inferred that LFs were busy with their preparation of gardens and planting maize since the timing of the training was around Nov. and Dec. 2014, and there was less needs from the farmers at the same time.

Under COVAMS project (2007 ~ 2012), the project experienced that about 10% of LFs dropped out. So it can be assumed about 90% of the LFs conducted the training, which slightly higher than that of current project. However, a condition to conduct training under COVAMS project was in contrast to the one of COVAMS II project. The LFs under COVAMS project received trainers' fee when they conducted trainings although the amount was very minimum like MK400 per training of a subject. Meanwhile, the LFs under COVAMS II project conduct the training on a voluntary basis. Considering the difference on the conditions, the result of 2014 / 2015 season in the number of LFs who conducted training was quite satisfactory and it can be assumed that the mechanism of motivation for the LFs was somehow

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effective.

Table 1: Number of target village, Number of LFs, number of training conducted, and number of participants in each district 2014 / 2015

District	No. of villa.	No. of house Holds (a)	No. of CCO	No. of LFs (b)	Trainin g subject	No. of LFs conducted training (c)	Ratio of LFs conducted training (c)/(b)	No. of farmer s (d)	Ratio of participa tion (d)/(a)
Blantyre	36	9,217	7	600	Tree	466	78%	3,402	37%
					Soil	489	82%	3,,356	36%
					Gully	382	64%	3601	39%
Balaka	60	4,466	6	300	Tree	248	83%	2,548	57%
					Soil	243	81%	2,410	54%
					Gully	202	67%	1,688	38%
Mwanza	37	4,586	6	310	Tree	283	91%	1,059	23%
					Soil	297	96%	1,184	26%
					Gully	229	74%	895	20%
Neno	38	7,567	6	495	Tree	341	69%	3,029	40%
					Soil	403	81%	3,400	45%
					Gully	261	53%	2,157	29%
Total	171	25,836	25	1,705	Tree	1,338	79%	10,038	39%
					Soil	1,432	84%	10,350	40%
					Gully	1,074	63%	8,341	32%

On the other hand, the ratio of farmers who participated in the trainings looks very low as comparing to the one of COVAMS project, which was more or less 80%. It was not that high (about 50%) in the early stage of COVAMS project, neither, but it made a sharp improvement with an introduction of Training Participation Card (TP card) which worked as invitation card for the farmers. TP card was distributed to all the households in a village. Because of this experience, COVAMS II project also introduced the TP card from the first year but it did not work as expected apparently. It is inferred that this result was attributed to inadequate interventions by the districts staff, especially by Conservation Coordinating Officers (CCOs). There is a clear tendency that farmers will be more serious or get involved themselves in activities when the village headman (VH) involves himself. Hence it is very crucial for CCOs to create an atmosphere that the VH involves himself into

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or at least gives support to the catchment management activity. The activities on this point by CCOs was probably not enough and not creative enough.

CCOs requested to involve the VH into TOT for the LFs. The project had no objections to the point that the VH would take an observation of TOT for the LFs. However, it is not possible for JICA to provide lunch allowances to him unless he is a LF. After JICA side gave the answer, CCOs did not come up with any other options on how to involve the VHs.

4.2 Cost effectiveness

Cost effectiveness was analyzed by comparing the cost of operation in 2014 / 2015 season to the benefit expected from the practice by the farmers, especially in the soil conservation.

District	Depreciation of motor bikes	Lunch allowance for LFs	Production cost of manuals	Training materials	Stationeries	Fuel		Total
						CCO	DMT/TST	
Blantyre	K 325,926	K 2,826,400	K 191,014	K 1,464,600	K 340,454	K 605,990	K 534,240	K 6,288,624
Balaka	K 325,926	K 1,324,000	K 98,236	K 725,110	K 175,091	K 513,333	K 720,056	K 3,881,751
Mwanza	K 325,926	K 1,468,800	K 98,236	K 759,250	K 175,091	K 359,050	K 531,900	K 3,718,252
Neno	K 325,926	K 2,172,000	K 158,269	K 1,208,475	K 282,090	K 293,870	K 266,750	K 4,707,380
Total	K 1,303,704	K 7,791,200	K 545,755	K 4,157,435	K 972,725	K 1,772,243	K 2,052,946	K 18,596,008

Table 2 shows the cost of nurturing LFs in each district. The depreciation of motor bikes is for the CCOs who are key players to nurture the LFs. In order to calculate the cost only for the LFs' nurturing, three months depreciation cost which was the period required nurturing LFs in all the districts was included. The activities for nurturing LFs are basically sensitization meeting to TA, GVH, VH, and villagers, monitoring elections of LFs, TOT for LFs.

The vehicle of the districts procured by JICA was not included into the cost although the project appreciates the supervising activities by the management in each district, it was considered as major players for the nurturing activity. The lunch allowance for the LFs is for during TOT for them conducted by CCOs. The training materials are line levels, nails, strings, polythene tubes, and Panga knives, while the stationeries are pens and writing pads.

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Table 3: Cost for nurturing LF, conducting training, and practicing techniques								
districts	Cost for nurturing LFs		Cost for conducting training				Cost for practice	
	No. of LF	Cost per LF	No. of training	Cost per training	No. of farmers	Cost per farmer	No. of practicing farmer	Cost per farmer to practice a subject
Blantyre	600	K 10, 481	1, 337	K 5, 321	10, 359	K 687	7, 446	K 1, 038
Balaka	300	K 12, 939	693	K 6, 499	6, 646	K 678	3, 841	K 1, 353
Mwanza	310	K 11, 994	809	K 6, 032	3, 138	K 1, 555	2, 162	K 2, 516
Neno	495	K 9, 510	1, 005	K 5, 051	8, 586	K 591	3, 596	K 1, 525
						25%	4, 514	K 1, 215
Total	1, 705	K 10, 907	3, 844	K 5, 612	28, 729	K 751	17, 045	K 1, 399
						25%	17, 963	K 1, 328

Table 3 shows the cost per unit. The cost to nurture one LF was MK10,907 on average which was about US\$27 (at the rate of MK400 / 1 US\$). The cost for conducting a training by a LF was MK5,612 (US\$14) on average, and the average cost for conducting training per farmer was MK751(US\$2), while the cost which was required for a farmer to practice one subject was in a range of MK1,328 (US\$3.2) to MK1,399 (US\$3.5).

Meanwhile, the results of the practice in 2014 / 2015 planting season were indicated in the table no. 4 and no. 5. The data for the practice in soil conservation was collected through a survey conducted by LFs under supervision of CCOs. The survey was conducted with a method of self claiming by farmers in a period from Dec. 2014 to Feb. 2015. The data for tree growing and gully repairing were from the monitoring report that each district collects from CCOs.

- Soil conservation techniques

The numbers of households practiced in each technique of table 4 are overlapping many cases. The ratio of practice is calculated against the number of households which the data were collected. The practice ratio in Neno district is probably higher than it appears in the table because the data from the villages which CCOs reported during monthly meeting and their monthly report were not collected. If those villages' practicing farmers were added to this survey, it could be about 25% in contour ridging as a district. However, it does not improve the average of the contour ridging practice ratio of the four districts. The reason why the practice rate of swale is low should be due to difficulties of digging the ditches in terms of hard labour and unsureness of its effect.

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Despite 70% of the total number of villages was under the first year of the intervention, it is quite significant that practicing ratio of contour ridging reached 27% on average. It can be expected to increase the practicing ratio in the following year with implementation of effective activity to promote more practice like Field day using the gardens which shows impeccable performance in maize growing. Hence it may be achievable to reach around 40% of practicing ratio in two years of intervention.

Table 4: The result of practice by the farmers in soil conservation techniques for maize growing in 2014 / 2015

District	Total no. of H/H	No. of villages data collected	No. of H/H data collected	Contour ridging		Box ridge		Swale		Manure application		Area practiced for contour (ha)	Area with manure (ha)
				No. of H/H practiced	Ratio	No. of H/H practiced	Ratio	No. of H/H practiced	Ratio	No. of H/H practiced	Ratio		
Blantyre	9,217	30	8,138	2,663	33%	2,946	36%	1,332	16%	2,771	34%	393	454
Balaka	4,466	60	4,420	1,412	32%	1,523	34%	762	17%	1,655	37%	299	343
Mwanza	4,586	36	4,388	781	18%	743	17%	492	11%	748	17%	108	80
Neno	7,567	23	5,008	973	19%	752	15%	460	9%	331	7%	303	79
Total	25,836	149	21,954	5,829	27%	5,964	27%	3,046	14%	5,505	25%	1,103	956

The average of the area conserved with contour ridging per farmer was 0.19ha and that of manure application was 0.17ha. It was reported and witnessed by each district that the difference on the performance of maize between the conserved gardens with above techniques and un-conserved gardens is tremendous.

At the same time, the erosion from the garden was mitigated with the conservation techniques. COVAMS project analyzed an economic impact of the conservation techniques (2012 Abe, Economic impact survey of COVMAS approach). According to the survey report, it was found that a farmer who cultivated 0.25ha for maize growing with the conservation techniques that COVAMS promoted would benefit between K3,150 to K22,238 (US\$ 11 to US\$82 at the exchange rate of 270 /Kwacha) when the volume of protected soil in the garden was converted into monetary form. The conversion was made with the commercial price of urea, calculating the volume of nitrogen contained in the protected soil.

Applying the same benefit of the 2012 to 2014 / 2015 planting season with 0.19ha of conserved area per farmer, the benefit the farmers would receive from the protected soil should be K2,394 to K16,900 (US\$9 to US\$62 at the same exchange rate of 2012). In short, the return of the investment which was US\$3.5 per subject for a

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farmer to practice would be minimum of 2.5-fold to maximum of 17.7-fold. Therefore, it can be said that the cost-effectiveness was quite high in terms of soil conservation techniques.



Conserved garden with contour ridges, box ridges, Swale, and manure
Taller with dark green color

Un-conserved garden.
Height is lower and the color is light green

One of the field days conducted in Neno district in March. The participants could recognize the effectiveness of the techniques practiced.



Well-constructed Swale



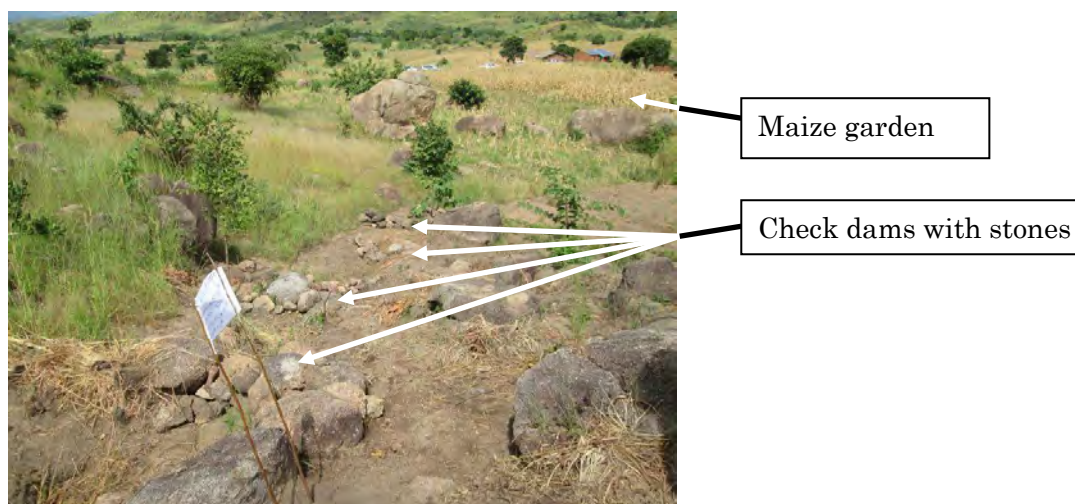
<Blantyre district> One of the LF's fields
Conserved garden (left), un-conserved garden with fertilizer (right)

- Gully repairing technique

It is not easy to assess the cost-effectiveness of small scale Gully repairing techniques. The technique is basically to prevent farming of large scale gully and reclamation of land which was damaged by gully erosion. One of the LF's said that she constructed several check dams from upper side of the field to down wards in order to prevent any damage in the garden which located lower area. She found that

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the current of runoff water at the time of heavy rain was still gentle at the lower area around the garden, so there was no damage in the garden. As such, the effect of the check dams is certain.



The mode of the practice ratio was 14%. This may be the true reflection of the practicing ratio in the gully repairing technique. The reason why the ration in this subject was lower than others would be because of inadequate awareness on the gully in gardens by farmers and also the fact that not all the gardens have gully.

The number of check dams would be almost the same number of farmers practiced this subject. The target gully under this subject is relatively small ones, and because of this, farmers won't construct check dams in collaboration but did it independently. Therefore, it can be inferred that the total number of check dams would be around 4,200.

Table 5: Result of practice in tree growing and gully repairing in 2014 / 2015								
District	Total no. of H/H	No. of H/H data collected (a)	Tree growing		Gully repairing			
			No. of H/H practiced (b)	Ratio (b) / (a)	No. of H/H practice d(c)	Ratio (c) / (a)		
Blantyre	9,217	9,217	2,556	28%	2,227	24%	Report at JCCM	
Balaka	4,466	4,466	1,809	41%	620	14%	Monthly monitoring result	
Mwanza	4,586	4,586	734	16%	647	14%	Monthly monitoring result	
Neno	7,567	6,043	1,925	25%	698	12%	Monthly monitoring result	
Total	25,836	24,312	7,024	29%	4,192	17%		

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- Tree growing

The average of the practicing ratio in tree growing was 29% in the four districts. Balaka district had the highest rate with 41%. This might be caused by less receiving rain falls in the area, and inadequacy of tree may be more serious problem for the people. The practice result includes “direct sowing method” apart from “seedling raising method”. The project conducted a survey in tree growing from February to March 2015. With the survey, more detailed data will come out such as number of seedlings raised and planted, number of stations for direct sowing, and number of areas for natural regeneration method. The report hasn’t compiled yet at this moment.

5. Conclusion

It appears that COVAMS approach is achieving its purpose with adequate result in provision of trainings for the farmers with LF system and practicing ratio of the catchment management techniques which COVAMS approach promotes. Moreover, the cost effectiveness of COAMS approach is proven very good in terms of soil conservation techniques although it is still necessary to look into that of tree growing. Additionally, the practicing results show that COVAMS approach is not so complicated in its operation, considering that most of districts’ staff are new to the approach.

The only deficiency found was on the participation in the training by farmers. It did not reach to satisfactory. It could be because of ineffectiveness in creation of atmosphere through sensitization meeting or lack of ideas on effective involvement of the VH into the catchment management activities.

However, it is expected that the challenge of improving the participation of the farmers in the training will be achieved through implementation of more activities for the farmers to expose to the benefit and effectiveness of the techniques like field day. In fact field days have been conducted by LFs in most of the villages in all the four districts in February and March 2015 and the response of the participants was very positive according to the districts. Additionally the knowledge, understanding and skills in the techniques of most of the LFs seemed to be reached to satisfactory, seeing the way they practiced. This also will be a help to improve the practicing ratio by farmers, too.



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Result of practice survey **in tree growing 2014**

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*COVAMS II project***1. Summary**

A practice survey in tree growing under COVAMS II project was conducted from February to March 2015. The survey revealed that about 9,600 households practiced the tree growing technique both seedlings planting and direct sowing methods. The figure is an aggregation of the number of households in both individual and group activity. The percentage of the above figure reaches to 37% of the entire number of households of the target villages in the four districts in 2014 /2015 season.

The number of seedlings out planted and stations by those households was about 297,000 and 86,000 for seedling and direct sowing respectively, which aggregates to about 384,000. The coverage of the area with these seedlings and stations is estimated as 153ha which is not so wide.

However, the cost-effectiveness of COVAMS approach in tree growing was found very good even with such result. The average benefit of a household who practiced from the above number of planted trees could be K5,940 after three years when the value of a tree interpreted into monetary form with a bundle of firewood. On the other hand, the project spent K1,399 for a household to practice a subject. The expenditure includes the cost for nurturing LFs, backstopping for the activities of the LFs and the farmers by the district staff, and depreciation of motorbikes. In short, the benefit from provision of training in tree growing can be 4.2-fold of its investment.

A clear lesson was learnt with this survey that individual activity should be more encouraged than group one. The number of seedlings raised and planted was far more than that of groups'. The average number of seedlings planted by an individual was 41. It is very small number but each district should aim at increasing the number of farmers and persuading them to sustain the practice, rather than trying to convince a farmer to increase the number of seedlings to plant.

An observation was made that natural regeneration method is widely practiced by even individuals although each area should be very small. Moreover, its coverage of area is far wider than seedlings planting. It means that the method has a big potential to contribute to the catchment conservation. However, there is a necessity to assess the appropriateness and effectiveness on what the farmers are doing for the site of natural regeneration method in order to make the training more

effective.

2. Method of survey

The survey was conducted with two survey sheets by Lead Farmers (LF) in each village of all the districts. The period of the survey was from February to March 2015. One survey sheet is for collecting information of individual practice and the other is for group practice. The survey sheet for the group is able to collect the information of different mode of groups such as village, limana (clan), and smaller group which is composed of a few people like friends. The method of data collection was through interview by the LFs to each household who practiced tree growing and entered the information into the survey sheet for the individual. The data for group practice was entered by the LFs who know the situations. CCOs were the one who collected the survey sheets and they made a cross check before submission.

3. Result of survey

The result of the individual practice survey is shown in the table 1 and table 2. The total number of households who raised tree seedlings in the four districts was 5,600 and raised seedlings was about 390,000 seedlings in total. Out of 390,000 seedlings, about 244,000 were out planted by 5,911 households which represents 23% of the total number of households of all the four districts. The number of seedlings out planted by a household was 41 seedlings on average. The increase of the number of households in out planting would be due to that some households were given some seedlings as a share of group nursery activity, provided by some other organization like NGOs and other projects, or purchased some seedlings and out planted by the farmers. The number of households (6,315, 24%) at the column of "planting" of usage should be including those who practiced direct sowing. The place out planted most was garden with 87,500 seedlings followed by homestead 76,400 seedlings and woodlot with 62,000 seedlings. The least place was river bank with 18,400 seedlings.

The number of households who tried the direct sowing method was only 2,585 in all the districts which are less than half of those who practiced seedling raising method. This figure represents about 10% of the entire households of the four districts. The total number of stations with this method was 73,000.

Natural regeneration method was practiced by 2,671 households in the four districts

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which represents about 10% of entire households of all the districts. The total area practiced for this method was 1,156ac.

Table 1: Result of individual practice in total number

District	Total no. of seedlings / H/H	No. of seedlings raised	Usage (tick)		No. of trees planted				Direct sowing					Natural regeneration	
					Indicate the No. of seedlings				Indicate the No. of stations						
Total no. of H/H			Planting	selling	Wood-lot	Garden	Home-stead	River bank	Wood-lot	Garden	Home-stead	River bank		Area	
Blantyre	Total no. of seedlings	139,945	95,209		24,403	32,416	28,710	9,680	7,535	8,047	8,874	1,811	26,267	234	ac
9,217	Total no. of H/H	2,190	2,253	288	763	1,555	1,658	494	405	573	779	170		667	H/H
					Number of H/H planted			2,201	Number of H/H practiced			996			
Balaka	Total no. of seedlings	94,245	48,084		11,791	14,954	19,056	2,283	7,604	10,942	10,461	2,895	31,902	418	ac
4,466	Total no. of H/H	1,294	1,836	110	468	945	1,259	185	392	642	732	208		998	H/H
					Number of H/H planted			1,583	Number of H/H practiced			1,024			
Mwanza	Total no. of seedlings	29,932	20,215		1,665	12,306	5,663	581	800	626	764	174	2,364	106	ac
4,586	Total no. of H/H	627	656	12	87	495	302	57	35	84	105	20		204	H/H
					Number of H/H planted			632	Number of H/H practiced			167			
Neno	Total no. of seedlings	125,333	80,954		24,238	27,829	22,982	5,905	2,623	3,873	4,592	1,471	12,559	399	ac
7,567	Total no. of H/H	1,489	1,570	101	434	888	985	304	125	201	211	84		802	H/H
					Number of H/H planted			1,495	Number of H/H practiced			398			
Total	Seedlings	389,455	244,462		62,097	87,505	76,411	18,449	18,562	23,488	24,691	6,351	73,092	1,156	ac
	H/H	5,600	6,315	511	1,752	3,883	4,204	1,040	957	1,500	1,827	482		2,671	H/H
Total no. of planted seedlings and stations of direct sowing			317,554		Number of H/H planted			5,911	Number of H/H practiced			2,585			

Table 2: The result of individual practice in percentage

District	Total no. of H/H	Practice rate in raising seedlings	Practice rate in planting / direct	selling	No. of trees planted				Direct sowing				Natural re-generation
	No. of villages				Indicate the No. of seedlings				Indicate the No. of stations				
					Wood-lot	Garden	Home-stead	River bank	Wood-lot	Garden	Home-stead	River bank	
Blantyre	9,217	24%	24%	3%	8%	17%	18%	5%	4%	6%	8%	2%	7%
	35			Total no. of H/H planted			2,201	24%	Direct practiced		996	11%	
Balaka	4,466	29%	41%	2%	10%	21%	28%	4%	9%	14%	16%	5%	22%
	48			Total no. of H/H planted			1,583	35%	Direct practiced		1,024	23%	
Mwanza	4,586	14%	14%	0%	2%	11%	7%	1%	1%	2%	2%	0.4%	4%
	35			Total no. of H/H planted			632	14%	Direct practiced		167	4%	
Neno	7,567	20%	21%	1%	6%	12%	13%	4%	2%	3%	3%	1%	11%
	35			Total no. of H/H planted			1,495	20%	Direct practiced		398	5%	
	G. Total	5,600	6,315	Total no. of H/H planted			5,911		Direct practiced		2,585		2,671
	25,836	22%	24%				23%				10%		10%

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Table 3 shows the result of group activity in tree growing. About 94% (34) and 55% (33) against the entire villages had group practices in Blantyre (36villages) district and Balaka (60 villages) district respectively. In contrast, less than 2% of the entire villages had group practices in the same subject in the remaining two districts Neno and Mwanza.

The numbers of participants of "Limana" and "Group" are about 3,000 and 1,900 in Blantyre and Balaka respectively, while those of "Village" were about 900 for Blantyre and 1,500 for Balaka. About half of the seedlings produced were shared by the participants. Direct sowing method was also practiced by the groups for the communal purpose but it was not so many stations as compared to the seedling raising method. The numbers of communal land and the total area for natural re-generation method were 143 with 36.6ac and 207 with 29ac in Blantyre and Balaka respectively. The area for natural re-generation in Neno was 37ac by 4 villages.

Table 3: Result of practice in tree growing by group

District	No. of villages	Category of group (tick)			No. of LFs involved	Number of participants	No. of seedlings raised	Usage (number of seedlings by usage)			Place of planting as community		Direct sowing No. of stations in communal	Natural regeneration (Communal)	
		Village	Limana	Group				Sold to outsider	Shared by group members	Planted as community	Wood lot	River bank		Number of land	Area
Blantyre	20	21			21	893	35,464	3,970	12,147	17,888	15	6	300	9	7.00 ac
	10	0	56		41	800	15,579	2,128	4,533	5,989	38	7	5,595	99	21.08 ac
	9	0		37	26	2,279	32,965	464	17,042	10,528	28	1	5,769	35	8.52 ac
total	34	21	56	37	88	3,972	84,008	6,562	33,722	34,405	81	14	11,664	143	36.6 ac
Balaka	24	30			30	1,476	31,687	0	13,930	10,200	25	5	1,000	30	19.7 ac
	15	0	32		32	499	6,138	525	4,720	825	4	10	295	174	8.15 ac
	5	0	0	17	17	1,395	5,597	0	5,028	570	17	1	53	3	1.3 ac
Total	33	30	32	17	79	3,370	43,422	525	23,678	11,595	46	16	1,348	207	29.15 ac
Mwanza	3	3			3	72	750	0	0	750	1	0	32	3	1.95 ac
	1		1		1	10	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 ac
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Total	4	3	1	0	4	82	831	0	0	750	1	0	32	3	1.95 ac
Neno	4	4			4	134	6,720	0	150	6,470	3	0	0	3	36.5 ac
	2	0	2	0	2	0	103	0	80	0	0	0	0	1	0 ac
	3	0	0	3	3	12	693	0	400	14	3	0	219	0	0.75 ac
Total	8	4	2	3	9	146	7,516	0	630	6,484	6	0	219	4	37.25 ac
G. Total	79	58	91	57	180	7,570	135,777	7,087	58,030	53,234	134	30	13,283	357	104.95 ac

Table 4 shows a comprehensive result of the four districts. The total numbers of households who practice tree growing were 6,315 for individual practice and 7,570 for group practice during the period. Part of the households who involved group practice could be over rapping with that of individual one. Hence, individual and group practice

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should not be summed up in order to figure out the total number of households who practiced tree growing. The maximum was calculated by summing up the larger number of households either individual or group except the one of natural regeneration in each district. The number of households of group practice was taken for Blantyre and Balaka, while that of individual practice was taken for Mwanza and Neno, and resulted with 9,568 households. This is a possible total number of households who practiced tree growing, and this represents about 37% of the entire households of the targeted villages in the four districts in the 2014 / 2015 planting season.

Table 4: Comprehensive result of the practice in tree growing

District	No. of H/H	Category of practice	No. of practicing H/H	Ratio of practice	No. of trees planted		Total stations	Estimation of Area planted (spacing 2X2)	Natural regeneration	
					Seedlings	Direct sowing			No. of place	Area
Blantyre	9,217	Individual	2,253	24%	95,209	26,267	121,476	48.6 ha	667	95 ha
		Group	3,972	43%	34,405	11,664	46,069	18.4 ha	143	15 ha
Balaka	4,466	Individual	1,836	41%	48,084	31,902	79,986	32.0 ha	998	169 ha
		Group	3,370	75%	11,595	1,348	12,943	5.2 ha	207	12 ha
Mwanza	4,586	Individual	656	14%	20,215	2,364	22,579	9.0 ha	204	43 ha
		Group	82	2%	750	32	782	0.3 ha	3	1 ha
Neno	7,567	Individual	1,570	21%	80,954	12,559	93,513	37.4 ha	802	162 ha
		Group	146	2%	6,484	219	6,703	2.7 ha	4	15 ha
G. Total	25,836	Individual	6,315	24%	244,462	73,092	317,554	127.0 ha	2,671	469 ha
		Group	7,570	29%	53,234	13,263	66,497	26.6 ha	357	43 ha
		Maximum	9,568	37%	297,696	86,355	384,051	153.6 ha	3,028	511 ha

The total number of tree seedlings planted with both individual and group practice was 297,696 and 86,355 stations with direct sowing, which aggregated to 384,051 in the four districts. When this result converted into an area, it becomes about 153ha assuming the planting spacing 2m x 2m.

The total number of places for the natural regeneration was 3,028 with 511ha. The area practiced by individuals is more than 10-fold of the one of groups.

4. Observations

The result of direct sowing indicates that people are still skeptical with the direct sowing method whether it is effective or not.

The result of group activities would support an idea that more people participate in the smaller group which they would feel more tangible or certain benefit.

Assuming the participants of group practice as practicing farmers, the result that 37% of the entire households in the four districts have practiced tree growing activity in the season was quite recommendable, although one district could achieve quite low percentage. This result indicates that the villagers have great concerns on their situations of trees or environment.

The total area of natural regeneration practiced by individuals was beyond our expectations although this result supports the result of baseline survey (conducted in 2013). The area covered by the natural regeneration was three times wider than that of seedlings planting and direct sowing methods.

The approach that forms a group for tree growing practice may not be always effective. The farmers in Mwanza and Neno districts seem to prefer practicing individually. As it was analyzed in the baseline survey analysis, each district should come up with own strategy on how to promote tree growing practice. However, when it comes to the number of seedlings raised by individuals, it is far better than that of by groups. In this sense, individual practice should be promoted more in all the districts so that the coverage with trees will be more significant. Moreover, it should not be expected that one individual raises many seedlings or many stations for direct sowing in one season since the average of seedlings planted by an individual was about 40. Rather it is necessary to encourage them to continue planting trees every year.

5. Cost-effectiveness

5.1 Method of measuring cost effectiveness

The previous project "COVAMS project" made an economic impact survey and it formulated how to interpret the planted trees into monetary form in its report (Abe, 2012, Economic impact survey of COVAMS approach). The formulation was that the value of a planted tree will be K200 (at the rate of K270 /US\$ 1) after three years. This value was extracted from the transaction among the villagers on firewood. The volume of a bundle of firewood was estimated the same as the volume of a three year old tree.

Of course not all the planted trees will be used as firewood but others could be used as poles or timbers. The value of the trees will be changed by the purposes of usage but it is assumed that the value of firewood is the lowest. So the estimation should be recognized as the least value of the trees when it is firewood. With this method, it is possible to

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estimate not the current value but the future one after three years.

The survival rate used after out planting of seedlings and direct sowing in the above report was 50%. The value of a bundle of firewood K200 should be adjusted to the current value (the exchange rate of K400 / US\$1 is used in COVAMS II Working paper No. 4). The value therefore should be settled as K296 (K400 x US\$0.74)

The interpretation of the value of natural regeneration into monetary form was not established. Therefore, it was not included to this measurement of cost effectiveness.

5.2 Result of cost effectiveness in 2014 / 2015 planting season

The total number of seedlings planted and the stations of direct sowing was 384,051. The number of trees which will survive after three years should be estimated 192,025 (survival rate 50%). The value of the total trees planted in 2014 / 2015 season can be estimated therefore, K56,839,400 (192,025 x K296) after three years.

On the other hand, the project spent about K1,399¹ at most in order for a household to practice one subject (COVAMS II working paper No.4). The total number of households who practiced tree growing was 9,568 at maximum. Therefore the benefit on average per household will be K5,940 in three years' time. In other words, the benefit a household can receive is 4.2-fold of the cost². This means that even if a group decided to conduct the training every year spending K1,399 per household, it pays back. Therefore, it can be said that the cost effectiveness of COVAMS approach in tree growing is very good or high.

6. Conclusion

The result of the experiment the previous project conducted with the direct sowing method was not bad. It depends on the conditions of the weather and soil type of the areas though; the survival rate was in a range of 50% to 20% after one dry season. If this result can apply everywhere, the direct sowing method can be encouraged more to

¹ This cost was calculated as the total number of households who practiced tree growing was 7,024 in COVAMS II working paper No.4). However, after compilation of practice survey in tree growing in 2014 / 2015 season revealed that the total number of households was 9,568 at maximum. Therefore the cost for a household to practice a subject can be a little lower.

² Even if the value of a bundle of firewood has been maintained K200 up to date, the benefit of a household will be K4,013 (2.86-fold of the cost). Hence the cost effectiveness is still good.

practice. In order to do so, it is worth to establish more demonstration plot and have more field days for it so that people can expose themselves its effectiveness.

It seems that natural regeneration method should be more encouraged during the training because it can cover wider areas than seedling planting or direct sowing method. However, the project has not enough insight on how the farmers are managing and what tree species are being generated in the site of natural regeneration. Therefore, it will be necessary to collect data and assess it. Once it is assessed as an appropriate and effective method, it may be worth to consider shifting the focus of tree growing training from planting seedlings to natural regeneration method.

It was often observed that some of the participants in the group practice were joining the activity as just labourers. In this case, it is arguable if they should be counted as practicing farmers. In order to evaluate the degree of impact more accurately in tree growing, it may be necessary to come up with certain definition to identify the participants of group practice whether practicing farmers or just labourers.

After all, it can be said that COVAMS approach is very effective. The result shows that the farmers in Blantyre and Balaka districts seem to be very concerned about the situation of trees in their areas. The approach that provides equal opportunity to participate in the training encouraged their participation in the practice, although the number of tree seedlings including the number of stations of direct sowing was not satisfactory. Moreover, the cost effectiveness of the approach was found very good or high on its own.



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No. 6

Study of characteristics of COVAMS approach
in contrast with conventional approach

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1. Objective of Study

study the characteristics of Lead Farmer (LF) system in COVAMS approach in contrast with conventional LF system – typically LF system which promoted by Ministry of Agriculture of Malawi to accelerate institutionalize of COVAMS approach in the target areas.

2. Method and subjects of study

2-1. Method

1. Investigation of existing documents^{1*}
2. Interview and questionnaire (see attached Questionnaires)

2-2. Subjects (Respondents)

- RMT (Regional management team) 2person / TST (Technical support team) 6person
- CCO (Conservation coordinating officer) 22person
- LF (Lead farmers) / Practicing farmers 6person
- Japanese experts of COVAMS II project 3person

2-2. Schedule

- May to June /2015

Date	Venue	Respondent (Number)	Method
15/May	Neno	TST member (5)	Questionnaire & group interview
21/May	Zalewa (Neno)	CCOs (22)	Questionnaire & group interview
22/May	Ligowe (Blantyre)	LF (LF*1(male), Farmer*1(Female))	Interview
2/Jun	Blantyre	RMT (2 male)	Questionnaire
5/Jun	Neno	LFs (3 (1 Male, 2 Female)) Farmers (3 Female)	Interview
8/Jun	Blantyre	TST (1 male)	E-mail
8/Jun	Blantyre	Senior LFs (3 (1 Male, 2 Female)) LF (1 Female) Farmers (2 (1 Male, 1 Female))	Interview

¹ It is very difficult to obtain document on LF system in the Ministry of Agriculture. Only 'Lead Farmer Concept Guidelines (July, 2010)' is existed

3. Profile of correspondents

■ RMT (Regional management team)

- Consist of person from district office of related department - Agriculture Dept., Forestry Dept., Community Development Dpt. They are also Counterpart personnel of COVAMS2 project.

■ TST (Technical Support Team)

- Organized by the project. Established in between District Management team (DMT) and Conservation Coordinating Officer (CCO). Consist of 19 people from targeted 4 districts. 6 people are corresponding to this study.

■ CCO (Conservation coordinating officer)

- 27 people are assigned in 4 districts. 22 people are corresponding to questionnaire. All of them are in a position to train Lead Farmers (LFs) as an extension staff. The name of post are different according to belonging offices e.g. AEDO (Area Extension Development Officer) in Agriculture Dept.
- Details of 22 correspondent is; 9 from Agriculture Dept., 9 from Forestry Dept., and 4 from Community Development Dept.
- All of them have participated to COVAMS training, and conduct training to LFs.
- All of them have participated to training except COVAMS such as Business management, accounting, financial, women in development and so on from variety of organizations which includes UNICEF, FAO, ADB, etc.
- 10 people out of 22 have received the training for technical transfer includes facilitation and/or communication technique. 6 of that 10 are participated to the facilitation training conducted by the project. The number of participants will be increase because training has provided to TST and CCOs by the project after the study period.

■ Farmer

- 14 Interviews have conducted in 3 villages in Blantyre and Neno district.
- Details of 14 interviewees are; 5 of LF (incl. 3 female), 3 of Senior LF (incl. 2 female) and 6 of Practicing Farmer (incl. 5 female).
- 7 of LF/SLF and 3 of practicing Farmer have experienced to participation of training except of COVAMS such as vegetable planting, irrigation, women in development and so on.

4. Summary of the results

- The major study items and results are as follows.

Item	LF system in Ministry of Agriculture	COVAMS approach
Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hold of Sensitization meeting by extension officer 2. Select LF by election 3. ToT (Training of Trainers). Extension officer (AEDO) provides training to LF 4. Make `Work plan` in cooperation of AEDO, LF and local residents 5. LF teach technique to farmers 6. LF conduct monitoring under consultation of AEDO 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basically same as MoA. • However, there are some additional features e.g. TST (Technical Support Team), SLF (Senior Lead Farmer).
Sensitization Meeting	• N/A	• To standardize of meeting, visual aid (photo flip) are provided to CCO.
Selection of LF	• As a general rule, LF is selected by election however, in many cases LFs are appointed by local leader. (interviewed CCO)	• Election in village places as the next step of sensitization meeting. Elected LF is introduced to villagers and local leader.
Senior LF	• N/A	• Selected and certified among excellent LFs by recommendation of CCO.
Ration of LF: Farmers	• No regulation available	• Set at 1:15
TOT (training by CCO to LF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted at out of village e.g. training center, university. • Often, too theoretical (interviewed LF) • 1 LF for 1 field 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking place in village with local available materials. More practical training are provided. (interviewed farmer) • Specific training for conservation practice such as contour ridging, gully control and tree growing (manure making also recommended) • A trained LF teach all 3

		technologies
Technical transfer from LF to farmers	• Depends on LF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The training is open for all. • Can be repeated • At least 1 LF is stationed in Limana²
Achievement	• N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of practicing village is increasing from 50 in the year 2013 to 171 in 2014. The number of trained LF is currently 1705. • About 80% of LF provide the training to farmers.
Consistency to local needs	• N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yield of Maize have been increasing remarkably.
Monitoring & Evaluation system	• Existing but not functioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using standardized monitoring & evaluation format • Organize and provide training to TST to strengthen monitoring, evaluation and planning capacity
Cost effectiveness	• N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost for manipulate a farmer with 0.19ha of contour ridging is about USD\$3-

5. Finding

■ Flow

- There are no significant differences on standard flow between COVAMS approach and conventional LF system which promoted by Department of Agricultural Extension Services based on `Lead Farmer Concept Guidelines (July, 2010)`.
- However, there are some additional features e.g. TST (Technical Support Team), SLF (Senior Lead Farmer) in COVAMS approach.

■ Lead Farmer

<Selection and assignment>

- Despite `Lead Farmer Concept Guidelines` stated that LF is selected by election, many of LFs are assigned by arbitrary appointment by village leader (or someone) in the conventional system. And there is no concrete rule for the number of farmer which should be taken charged by one single LF. It may causes to overlord to LF.

² A village is consist of some `Limana`s that is a colony united by mainly blood relative. LF is posted in each `Limana` in COVAMS approach.

- In COVAMS approach, election of LF places as the next step of the sensitization meeting. And elected LF is introduced to the villagers at that time. These procedures make possible to build up mutual trust between LF and farmers. It motivates both LF and farmers, too

<Mechanism>

- Basically, one LF is take charge of one single field (or topic) in the LF system (or slimier system driven in the other departments) because it is operated in vertically divided administration. It is not efficient.
- A one trained LF teaches every 3 technologies – contour ridging, gully control and tree growing in COVAMS approach. It is efficient and functional.
- Senior LF (SLF) system could be one of peculiarities of COVAMS approach. SLF is selected among excellent LFs by recommendation of CCO to support CCOs. SLF trains farmers as a deputy of CCO often. A bicycle is lent to SLF. It is expected not only to reinforce functional autonomy of system but also to motivate both LFs and SLFs.

■ Training

<TOT – CCO/AEDO to LFs>

- In the conventional LF system, topics of the training are decided by AEDC(Area Extension Development Coordinator) based on investigation in the area.
- Training are conducted at out from village e.g. training center, university and so on. Systematic support after training seems not available in the conventional LF system.
- In COVAMS approach, TOT is taking place within a village with local available resources. They provide only specific training for conservation practice such as, contour ridging, gully control and tree growing. By these factors, the project succeeds to bring out positive feedback from farmers e.g. `COVAMS training in very practical and understandable`.

<LF to Farmers>

- As mention above, systematic support after training seems not available (or very limited) in the conventional LF system. Implementation of training is depending on capacity of each LF.
- In-village TOT enables to smooth and prompt shift to training by the LF to local farmers in COVAMS approach. In this stage, COVAMS approach has also some peculiarities. One is `open to everyone`, and another is `can be repeated`. At the training for farmers by LF, no criteria are set on the participants. It's open for all. Everyone in the village can be participating. If someone could not participate, or if some of participant seems not understand fully, the training can be repeated. It seems that these characteristics of COVAMS approach such as in-village TOT with local available materials, specifically focused training and appropriate ration at LF to farmers, make possible to wider involvement of farmers and faster expansion of technique.

■ **Consistency with local needs**

- Almost of all CCOs / farmers mentioned about increasing of maize yield in questionnaire and/or in interview (not asked rate of increasing). It will be a typical example indicating consistency with local needs of COVAMS approach.
- In COVAMS approach, both immediate benefit – increasing yield from contour ridging – and mid/long term benefit – expected utilization of wood from tree growing - are indicated clearly. Easy understanding for correlation between labor and benefit helps motivate the farmers.

■ **Monitoring & evaluation system**

- DADO (District Agriculture Development Officer) is mainly takes on a role of monitoring and evaluation however, it seems not functioning well because of lack of guidance.
- To reinforce monitoring and evaluation system, in COVAMS approach, TST (Technical Support Team) has established newly under the DMT (District Management Team). Training for monitoring, evaluation and planning are also provided for them through inter-district TST meeting.

6. Characteristics of COVAMS approach

As a whole mechanism, there are no significant differences between conventional LF system and COVAMS approach. However, some peculiar characteristics are given into COVAMS approach to optimize for conservation practice. It can be said the COVAMS approach is a modified method based on conventional approach for faster, wider and more effective dissemination of conservation technologies.

It is thought that it leads to clear understanding for COVAMS approach to clarify characteristic, not differences. The followings are some of characteristics that found in this study. (Answers to following questions; “What is the difference between conventional approach and COVAMAS approach?” “Is COVAMS approach practical?” “Is the training matching with local needs?”) (‘Farmer’ is including LF, SLF and practicing farmer)

■ **Approach**

- “Community base” (easy to participate) (CCO—2out of 22),(Farmer—5 out of 14)
- Open for all (CCO- 4/22)
- Can be repeated (CCO- 2/22)
- Utilize local available materials (CCO- 7/22) (Farmer-2/14)

■ **Mechanism / Operation**

- LFs are well trained (CCO- 3/22)
- Motor cycle provided (CCO- 2/22)

- Variety of training contents (Farmer-1/14)
- Training is easy to understand (Farmer-4/14)
- Well-arranged manuals (easy to review at home) (Farmer-1/14)
- Planned operation (CCO- 1/22)

■ **Impact**

- Ownership of farmers (CCO- 8/22)
- Increased maize yield (CCO- 9/22) (Farmer - 14/14)
- Contribution to environmental protection (CCO- 3/22)
- Improved soil (CCO- 1/22) (Farmer-1/14)
- Increased cultivated land (Farmer-1/14)
- Increased tree (Farmer-1/14)

■ **Others comment**

- Training for planning / monitoring should be provide more (TST-3/6)
- Training for facilitation / teaching should be provide more
- Need per diem (CCO-5/22) (Farmer- 1/14 ※LF)
- Need manual for manure making (CCO- 2/22)
- LF should be involved in decision making (CCO-1/22)
- Government should be commit more (CCO-1/22)
- Media exposure (PR) (CCO- 1/22)
- Establishment of demo-plot (CCO-1/22)
- Need raincoat (CCO/ Farmer ,1 each)
- Need rubber boots (CCO/ Farmer ,1 each)
- Need seed (CCO-1/22)

7. Observations

Increasing of maize yield by introduced technologies could be un-doubtful. In fact, all interviewee farmers mentioned concretely on that e.g. “I got enough harvest even in small field” “there were plenty of crops even after terrible rainy season” “technology makes cultivated land increase because gullies decreased” “I could find enough yield. My home is always filled up with smile” “I can send my children to school because we got enough yield”.

And many farmers also mentioned about farmer- to- farmer dissemination, such as “I have teach trained technology to neighboring farmers ” “I asked neighbors to join the training when they came to see my field” “I call LF to conduct training because neighbors seemed interested in new technologies” and so on. From this, it is thought that practicing area may spread more than we found in corrected data.

On the other hand, some farmers answer that contour ridging and gully control require more seed and fertilizer. It may indicate misunderstanding of the technologies. It should be considered how to control the quality of the training.

Both relationship between farmers and LF and/or SLF, farmers and CCO seemed satisfactory. It may cause 1. LF is selected by impartial election, 2. they knowing each other and knows their ability, 3. LF/SLF stationed in their village.

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Result of practice survey **in Gully control 2014**

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*COVAMS II project***1. Summary**

This paper gives the practice status of the famers in Gully technique in 2014 / 2015 planting season. The practice survey was conducted by LFs of COVAMS II project through interviewing the famers in their group. The number of farmers whose data were collected was 11,390 from all the four districts.

The number of households who participated in the gully control training aggregated 8,622 and out of it, 5,933 households constructed check dams during and after the training conducted by LFs. The practicing rate was about 23% against the entire households of all the four districts. The total number of check dams constructed went beyond 21,000. This result was beyond expectations of the project as 70% of the total villages were in the first year of the implementation of COVAMS approach.

More than 80% of those who constructed check dams with stones and brush wood evaluated the effectiveness of the check dam as effective. However, of those check dams constructed, around 60% were observed some malfunction like washed away and no deposition of soil because of heavy rains occurred in the season and inadequate knowledge of the farmers on how to construct check dam.

In order to encourage the farmers to continue the construction of check dams in the following season, the district staff especially Conservation Coordinating Officers (CCO) should give more information about the check dam on how to make it function during TOT for LFs.

2. Method of survey

The practice survey was conducted with a survey sheet by Lead Farmers in each village of all the districts. The period of the survey was from May to June 2015. The survey sheet was translated into Chewa so that LFs would understand well and collect right information. The survey sheet contained the following questions;

Q1: Participation in the training of Gully control, Q2: Practice of the technique, Q3: Number of check dams constructed, Q4: Materials used for the check dam construction, Q5: The effectiveness of the check dams, Q6: The reasons why the check dams were not effective if the answer of Q5 is “not good”.

The method of data collection was through interviews by the LFs to each household. Prior to the data collection by the LFs, CCOs explained the survey sheet to them,

and they collected the survey sheet from the LFs.

3. Result of survey

The number of households whose data were collected was 11,390 households which represent about 44% of 25,838 total households of the four districts. The table 1 below shows all the numbers of households reflecting to the questions.

Table 1: The result of the practice survey in gully control

District	No. of samples	No. of farmers participated in training	No. of farmers practiced	No. of checkdams made	No. of h/h by materials			Effectiveness		Reasons	
					Stone	Brush wood	Sack	Good	Not good	Washed away	No soil collected
Neno	3,805	2,617	1,549	6,376	948	727	78	1,468	174	261	286
Blantyre	1,958	1,514	1,030	2,276	340	618	135	928	28	568	362
Balaka	2,295	1,861	1,315	3,699	479	828	110	1,127	208	712	431
Mwanza	3,332	2,630	2,039	9,011	1,587	1,007	171	2,000	68	193	1,127
Total	11,390	8,622	5,933	21,362	3,354	3,180	494	5,523	478	1,734	2,206

The number of households who participated in the gully control training of all the districts aggregated to 8,622 which shares 33% of the entire households. The most was Neno district and the least was Blantyre district. The number of households who constructed at least one check dam was 5,933 which shares about 23% of the entire households. The total number of check dam constructed by the famers who practiced in 2014 / 2015 season was 21, 362. This means that the average number of check dams constructed by a household became 3.6. The material used most was stone followed by brush wood and the least was empty sack. It was a surprise that such number of farmers used empty sack despite no provision of empty sacks by the project. About 93% of the households who practiced the check dam construction answered “Good” in the effectiveness of the check dams. However, so many of them experienced also malfunction of the check dams such as washed away and no deposition of eroded soil. The total number of households who experience such defect of the check dam aggregates 3,940 which shares 66% of the practiced households.

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Table2: Effectiveness and reasons not effective by material

District	No. of h/h said Effective by material			Reasons not good					
				Stone		Brush wood		Sack	
	Stone	Wood	Sack	Washed	No soil	Washed	No soil	Washed	No soil
Neno (7,567)	846	657	65	106	173	153	151	28	26
	0.89	0.90	0.83	0.11	0.18	0.21	0.21	0.36	0.33
Blantyre (9,217)	315	556	101	161	142	398	207	45	59
	0.93	0.90	0.75	0.47	0.42	0.64	0.33	0.33	0.44
Balaka (4,468)	421	683	90	176	223	468	208	42	40
	0.88	0.82	0.82	0.37	0.37	0.57	0.25	0.38	0.36
Mwanza (4,586)	1,085	667	75	77	579	66	292	8	58
	0.68	0.66	0.44	0.05	0.36	0.07	0.29	0.05	0.34
Average	0.85	0.82	0.71	0.25	0.33	0.37	0.27	0.28	0.37
				0.58		0.64		0.65	

More than 80% of those who constructed check dams with stones and brush wood and 70% of the people who used empty sacks answered “effective”. The check dams with stones and sacks show that no deposition of soil was more observed while brush wood shows the opposite.

4. Observations

According to the reports in gully practice made in February 2015 from all the districts, they showed that only 17% of the entire households practiced check dam construction. Comparing to that time, 6 points of practice rate was improved at the time this survey was conducted. The number of households who practiced in Blantyre reduced to more than half while other districts increased to two-fold or more, especially Mwanza district increased to three-fold. Because of this large increase, the reporter had to confirm whether or not that number makes sense to the CCOs of Mwanza district. According to them, they observed many farmers constructed check dams after February 2015, seeing the effectiveness of check dams during the rainy season.

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Table 5: Result of practice in tree growing and gully repairing in 2014 / 2015							
District	Total no. of H/H	No. of H/H data collected (a)	Tree growing		Gully repairing		
			No. of H/H practiced (b)	Ratio (b)/(a)	No. of H/H practice d(c)	Ratio (c)/(a)	
Blantyre	9,217	9,217	2,556	28%	2,227	24%	Report at JCCM
Balaka	4,466	4,466	1,809	41%	620	14%	Monthly monitoring result
Mwanza	4,586	4,586	734	16%	647	14%	Monthly monitoring result
Neno	7,567	6,043	1,925	25%	698	12%	Monthly monitoring result
Total	25,836	24,312	7,024	29%	4,192	17%	

Source: COVAMS II working paper No.4 “Analysis of COVAMS approach in its effectiveness”

The rainfalls of 2014 / 2015 rainy season was unusual, especially it was exceptionally huge in the month of January 2015 in the target areas of COVAMS II project. This was probably caused a lot of washed away damage on the check dams they constructed. Moreover, the average number of check dams constructed by a household is too small to reduce the velocity of the downfall current in the gully; hence it probably caused the failure of depositing the eroded soil. The percentage of the check dams malfunctioned aggregated about 60% of the total number of check dams constructed. In other words, about 40% of the check dams functioned despite having such circumstance of the rainfalls. This percentage maybe demonstrated to the farmers the effectiveness of the check dam in depositing eroded soil and reduction of current velocity.

5. Conclusion

The number of households who practiced the gully control technique in 2014 / 2015 season is more than expectations at this stage that around 70% of villages were in their first year with COVAMS approach. This fact will mean that many farmers are aware of losing soil from their gardens as well as other premises around their property. It was unfortunate that a lot of check dams malfunctioned due to the heavy rain in the planting season. This may cause farmers to be discouraged to do it in the following season although many of them have said that Check dams were effective.

In order to encourage the farmers to continue practicing the gully control technique, CCOs ought to explain more details how to make check dam function during TOT for LFs and tell them to explain to the farmers during the training they conduct. The additional explanation should be as follows;

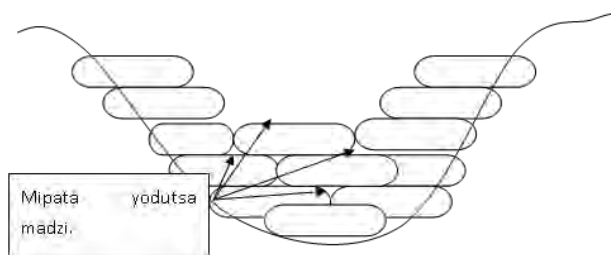
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① Starting point of construction and the number of check dams

In order to reduce the current velocity in a gully, check dams should be made from the top side of the gully and increase the number of check dams. It will be very difficult to tell the distances between the check dams because it depends on the slope but at least it should be mentioned that the number of check dams matters in a gully.

② Securing water path

Most of the check dams constructed by the farmers had no water path at its center. This is wrong way of construction of check dam. At the center of a check dam, water path should be secured so that it may mitigate the flowing water to dig the bottom of the gully deeper at the check dam, especially with the materials of brush wood. The water path at the center will also prevent the flowing water to make diverted path of the same gully besides the check dam.



Source: Field manual in Gully control and reclamation (COVAMS II)

③ Appropriate height of check dam

It was observed during site visits that many of farmers made the check dams with the height of more than necessary. The appropriate height is lower than the depth of the gully as the drawing above shows. If the height of the check dam is higher than the ground level, the same diverted path will be developed as explained at the securing water path.



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Working Paper

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Soil Loss Study for Woodlots

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1. Introduction

In the planning stage of the COVAMS II project, soil conservation techniques used by COVAMS and COVAMS II project were thought that it is necessary to be verified their effectiveness through research. It was finally appeared in the project design matrix (PDM) as the output 3. The output 3 was described that "Effectiveness of the catchment management techniques of COVAMS is quantitatively verified by an action research".

For this output 3 of the PDM a short term expert was dispatched in the year 2013 and the expert designed the research and set research sites in farming garden and tree cover area. There are three research items following the extension subjects of the COVAMS II project such as contour ridge technique, tree growing technique, and small scale gully control technique.

In this report, the result of research on tree growing techniques is explained. The research design mentioned that "the planted tree prevents soil erosion and increases infiltration rate so that it also has off-site effects of reducing siltation and flooding in the downstream catchment areas similarly to the contour ridge technique." Four effects of tree planting technique were mentioned in the plan as 1) conserved soil fertility and providing wood products to farmers, 2) reducing deforestation, 3) reducing siltation in the downstream catchment, and 4) reducing flooding in the downstream catchment.

Among the four effects, the research design selected third effect "reducing siltation in the downstream catchment", and the erosion pin was introduced as the research method. Since the research method is new in Malawi, only 9 sites were set for this research within Blantyre district as the trial implementation.

2 Objectives of the research on tree cover site

Action Research Plan explained hypothesis on the tree cover site as "the planted tree prevents soil erosion and increase infiltration rate so that it also has off-site effects of reducing siltation and flooding in the downstream catchment areas similarly to the contour ridging technique".

Objective of the research is, therefore, to measure the changes of ground height under tree cover area and compare with the changes of bare land. It is expected to verify that tree cover area get less soil erosion than bare land.

3 Research method

Research design and plot setting were explained in the research plan and operation manual for soil loss study in woodlots.

Research plots were nine (9) sites in Blantyre district, each site has one tree cover area of 20 x 20 meters with 16 erosion pins and one bare land area of 20 x 20 meters with 16 erosion pins for comparison as showed figure 1 below.

Erosion pins were set 5 meters interval in the sites, there are total of 16 pins in one site. Height of pins was set 15 mm at the beginning of research. After the rainy season ground height at the erosion pin was measured from top of the erosion pin.

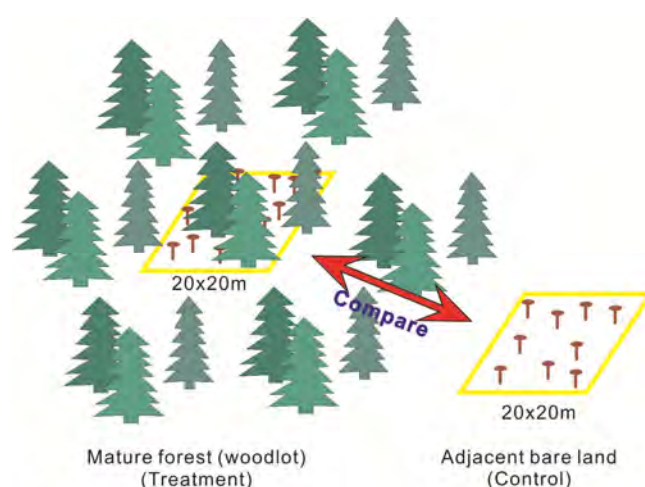


Figure 1. Measurements of Tree Planting Effect on Soil Loss

4 Result

4.1 2013/2014 season

In total nine (9) research sites were set in Blantyre district. In the course of observation, four (4) sites were suspended from research due to the distraction of bench mark and erosion pins, the conflict of ownership of the site, and cutting of trees in the research site.

After the rainy season, ground heights were measured in five (5) sites. During the measurement work, survey team noticed changes in the condition of the three (3) sites that ground was cultivated as farming garden and trees were harvested after rain. It was not possible to continue research at those three sites in next year.

Observation of five sites are as follows

- a) Chigojo site shows erosion in both tree cover and bare land. Trees were harvested

after the rain.

- b) Mwasama site shows that bare land received deposit and survey team could not find 13 erosion pins. Tree cover site were cultivated as maize garden.
- c) Thom-mbela site shows that soil deposit was observed in both tree cover and bare land. Land owner was harvesting trees.
- d) Kavalo site shows that soil deposit was observed in bare land and survey team could not find four (4) pins. Tree cover site has very small change.
- e) Mkolesya site shows little deposit in bare land and small erosion in tree cover site.

After observation it was noticed that there is not clear difference between tree cover area and bare land. Three sites showed bare land has more deposit of soil than tree cover area, one site showed deposit of soil both tree cover and bare land, and other site showed erosion in both tree cover and bare land.

Table 1 Summary of ground height

Ground height reading mm from top of erosion pin						
			Year	2013	2014	2015
Chigojo village, T/A Machinjiri			Pin No	P-G	P-G	
	Woodland plot	Average	-15	-20.25		
	Bare land	Average	-15	-21.63		
Mwasama village, T/A Makata			Pin No	P-G	P-G	
	Woodland Plot	Average	-15	-9.31		
	Bare land	Average	-15	24.33		
Thom-Mbela village, T/A Chigara			Pin No	P-G	P-G	
	Woodland Plot	Average	-15	-0.56		
	Bare land	Average	-15	-10.63		
Kavalo village, T/A Chigaru			Pin No	P-G	P-G	P-G
	Woodland Plot	Average	-15	-14.69	-13.53	
	Bare land	Average	-15	24.00	-13.00	
Mkolesya village, T/A Kapeni			Pin No	P-G	P-G	P-G
	Woodland Plot	Average	-15	-15.38	-15.53	
	Bare land	Average	-15	-13.88	-8.28	

4.2 2014/2015 season

Only two (2) sites remained for research.

- a) Kavalo site shows that 15 erosion pins were lost in bare land and very small amount of deposit in tree cover area.
- b) Mkolesya site shows tree cover site has very small change while bare land has deposit of soil.

5 Conclusion

Hypothesis "the planted tree prevents soil erosion and increase infiltration rate so that it also has off-site effects of reducing siltation and flooding in the downstream catchment areas similarly to the contour ridging technique" was not supported with this two-year observation.

6 Recommendations

The project research team on tree cover came out with following recommendations after observation in two years.

- Research is difficult in villages since trees are consumable resource for villagers. Research could be carried out by some research institutions within their premises to avoid destruction and disturbance to the research.
- Research plots should be separated from upper stream of the slope to avoid sedimentation in the research plots brought by runoff water. Separation ditch or banking is necessary.
- Changes of ground height are very small for measurement in short period. Very long term observation by the research institution is preferable.
- General understanding on function of forest cover is not questionable. Literature study could be useful than real research for extension project in terms of cost effectiveness.

Reference

- 1 Action Research Plan, COVAMS II, 2013
- 2 Operation Manual for Soil Loss Study in Woodlots, COVAMS II 2014

Annex

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Annex 1 Initial Setting 1/9

Adam Community Plant Adam village, T/A Kuntaja

GPS Coordinate 705594 15°26'43.4"S Elevation: 517 masl

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Date of recording: #####

Contact: Mbewe (FA Kuntaja 0888575584)

Chairman:

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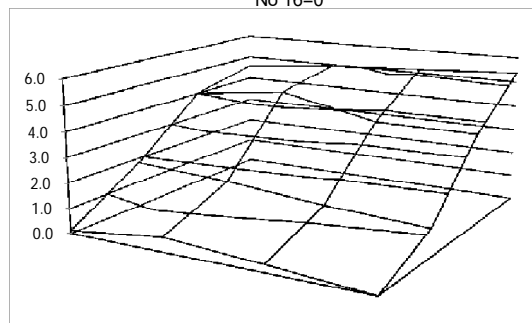
Woodland Plot

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1	7.0	12.3	1.252		1.4	4.586		1	22.7	41.8	0.520		3.336	6.73
2	4.0	7.0	0.914		1.738	4.924		2	23.5	43.5	0.387		3.469	6.86
3	8.8	15.5	0.689		1.963	5.149		3	20.0	36.4	0.595		3.261	6.66
4	12.5	22.2	0.458		2.194	5.380		4	12.0	21.3	-0.094		3.950	7.34
5	16.0	28.7	1.826		0.826	4.012		5	20.2	36.8	2.980		0.876	4.27
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7	34.5	68.7	2.149		0.503	3.689		7	14.0	24.9	2.743		1.113	4.51
8	27.3	51.6	2.168		0.484	3.670		8	15.9	28.5	1.878		1.978	5.37
9	19.4	35.2	4.030		-1.378	1.808		9	20.0	36.4		2.336	-1.398	2.00
10	22.0	40.4	4.225		-1.573	1.613		10	16.0	28.7		2.201	-1.263	2.13
11	23.2	42.9	4.527		-1.875	1.311		11	18.7	33.8		1.900	-0.962	2.43
12	27.1	51.2	4.737		-2.085	1.101		12	28.0	53.2		1.151	-0.213	3.18
13	26.2	49.2		4.360	-3.068	0.118		13	13.8	24.6		4.332	-3.394	0.00
14	22.0	40.4		3.899	-2.607	0.579		14	22.0	40.4		4.190	-3.252	0.14
15	19.5	35.4		4.165	-2.873	0.313		15	4.0	7.0		3.811	-2.873	0.52
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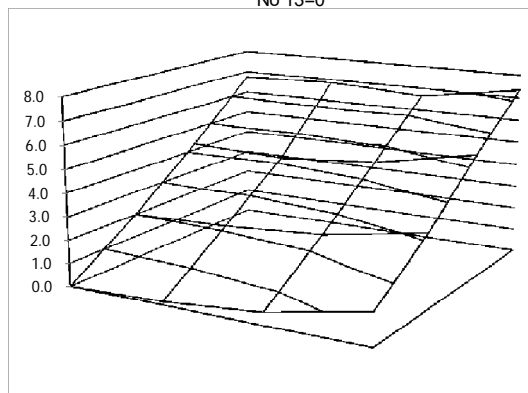


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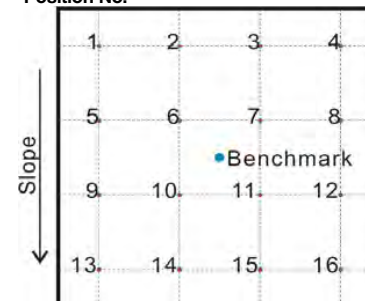
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Annex 1 Initial Setting 2/9

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Mtambalika village, T/A Chigaru

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Principal:

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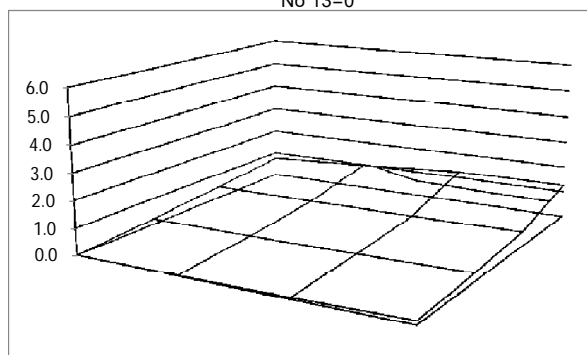
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3	2.8	4.9	0.449		0.869	1.237		3	1.1	1.9	1.342		0.111	0.41
4	6.0	10.5	0.429		0.889	1.257		4	2.0	3.5	1.250		0.203	0.51
5	2.0	3.5	1.236		0.082	0.450		5	0.1	0.2	1.563		-0.110	0.19
6	4.0	7.0	1.238		0.080	0.448		6	0.2	0.3	1.401		0.052	0.36
7	3.0	5.2	1.199		0.119	0.487		7	0.2	0.3	1.380		0.073	0.38
8	4.3	7.5	1.133		0.185	0.553		8	1.8	3.1	1.298		0.155	0.46
9	4.0	7.0	1.475		-0.157	0.211		9	3.0	5.2	1.511		-0.058	0.25
10	2.1	3.7	1.472		-0.154	0.214		10	0.0	0.0	1.506		-0.053	0.25
11	1.8	3.1	1.442		-0.124	0.244		11	0.7	1.2	1.456		-0.003	0.30
12	0.5	0.9	1.390		-0.072	0.296		12	0.0	0.0	1.390		0.063	0.37
13	0.2	0.3	1.686		-0.368	0.000		13	4.1	7.2	1.756		-0.303	0.00
14	4.0	7.0	1.668		-0.350	0.018		14	2.2	3.8	1.588		-0.135	0.17
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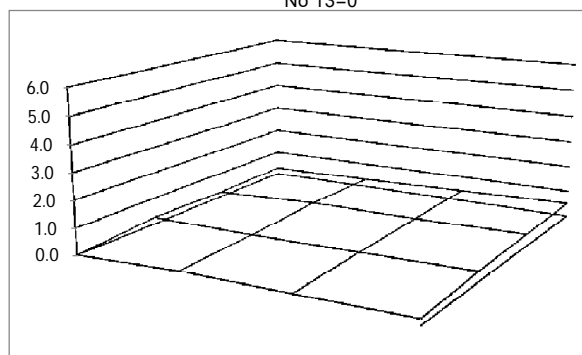


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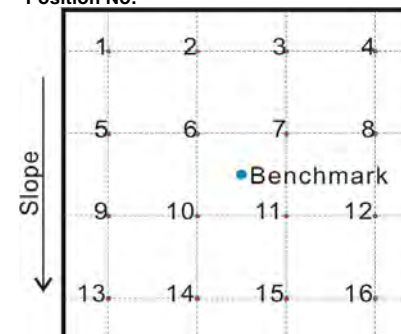
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Annex 1 Initial Setting 3/9

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Somba village, T/A Makata

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Mr. S. Maseko (Headmaster, 099944791)

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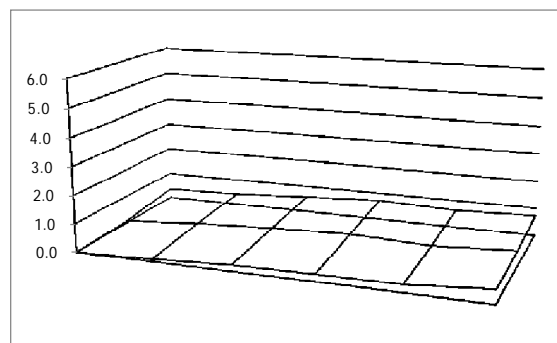
Woodland Plot

Woodland Plot						Bare land							
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3	7.8	13.7	0.795		0.073	0.58	3	3.4	5.9	2.486		0.167	0.66
4	2.6	4.5	0.654		0.214	0.72	4	0.5	0.9	2.419		0.234	0.73
5	3.0	5.2	0.746		0.122	0.63	5	0.5	0.9	2.291		0.362	0.86
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7	1.5	2.6	1.309		-0.441	0.06	7	1.0	1.7	3.020		-0.367	0.13
8	4.0	7.0	1.099		-0.231	0.27	8	0.1	0.2	2.843		-0.190	0.31
9	0.5	0.9	0.968		-0.100	0.40	9	4.5	7.9	2.761		-0.108	0.39
10	3.0	5.2	0.872		-0.004	0.50	10	5.7	10.0	3.080		-0.427	0.07
11	0.2	0.3	0.960		-0.092	0.41	11	5.0	8.7	2.298		0.355	0.85
12	2.0	3.5	0.805		0.063	0.57	12	0.0	0.0	2.223		0.430	0.93
13	2.0	3.5	1.372		-0.504	0.00	13	2.0	3.5	3.148		-0.495	0.00
14	1.7	3.0	1.283		-0.415	0.09	14	7.0	12.3	3.006		-0.353	0.14
15	0.1	0.2	1.150		-0.282	0.22	15	3.5	6.1	2.870		-0.217	0.28
16	0.6	1.0	1.118		-0.250	0.25	16	4.0	7.0	3.007		-0.354	0.14
17	1.1	1.9	1.106		-0.238	0.27	17	3.0	5.2	2.555		0.098	0.59
18	2.2	3.8	0.896		-0.028	0.48	18	0.0	0.0	2.664		-0.011	0.48
			BM	0.868	BM=0	No13=0				BM	2.653	BM=0	No13=0

Level condition

0.00	0.09	0.22	0.25	0.27	0.48
0.06	0.27	0.40	0.50	0.41	0.57
0.35	0.41	0.58	0.72	0.63	0.73

No 13=0

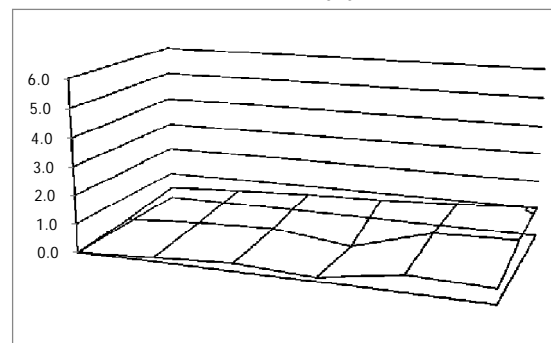


Highest pin position	Pin No 6	0.73
Lowest pin position	Pin No 13	0.00
Difference		0.73
Distance x-direction	25 y-direction	10
Distance	26.9 m	
Slope (%)	2.7 %	
Slope (degree)	1.6 degree	

Level condition

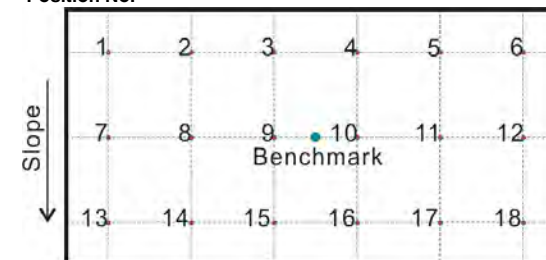
0.00	0.14	0.28	0.14	0.59	0.48
0.13	0.31	0.39	0.07	0.85	0.93
0.40	0.54	0.66	0.73	0.86	1.02

No 13=0



Highest pin position	Pin No 6	1.02
Lowest pin position	Pin No 13	0.00
Difference		1.02
Distance x-direction	25 y-direction	10
Distance	26.9 m	
Slope (%)	3.8 %	
Slope (degree)	2.2 degree	

Position No.



Annex 1 Initial Setting 4/9

Saili VFA

Saili village, T/A Makata

GPS Coordinate 723605 15°38'20.0"S Elevation: 836 masl

Date of recording: 2012/8/6

UTM 36S 8269911 35°05'09.0"E

Contact: Glory Kalagho (FA Makata 0888006971)

Ester Moto (Forest Guard 0884495001)

Pin Level Reading

Woodlot

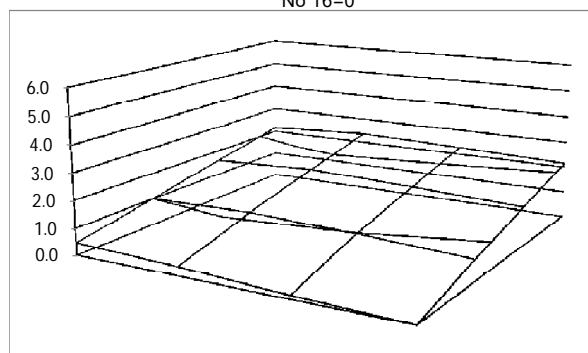
Bare land

Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)	Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)
1	12.0	21.3	1.932		0.729	2.16	1	10.0	17.6	0.400		1.455	3.45
2	4.0	7.0	1.722		0.939	2.37	2	11.9	21.1	1.280		0.575	2.57
3	8.0	14.1	1.809		0.852	2.28	3	2.0	3.5	1.632		0.223	2.22
4	10.0	17.6	1.937		0.724	2.15	4	7.0	12.3	1.678		0.177	2.17
5	3.1	5.4	2.502		0.159	1.59	5	6.0	10.5	0.588		1.267	3.26
6	7.0	12.3	2.345		0.316	1.75	6	7.9	13.9	1.425		0.430	2.43
7	8.0	14.1	2.463		0.198	1.63	7	5.0	8.7	2.100		-0.245	1.75
8	9.9	17.5	2.618		0.043	1.47	8	8.0	14.1	2.620		-0.765	1.23
9	13.0	23.1	3.095		-0.434	1.00	9	13.5	24.0	0.800		1.055	3.05
10	11.5	20.3	2.990		-0.329	1.10	10	5.0	8.7	1.670		0.185	2.18
11	8.0	14.1	3.102		-0.441	0.99	11	8.0	14.1	2.180		-0.325	1.67
12	2.0	3.5	3.314		-0.653	0.78	12	7.0	12.3	3.448		-1.593	0.40
13	12.0	21.3	3.627		-0.966	0.46	13	10.0	17.6	0.945		0.910	2.91
14	11.0	19.4	3.772		-1.111	0.32	14	3.3	5.8	1.782		0.073	2.07
15	5.0	8.7	3.960		-1.299	0.13	15	19.5	35.4	2.520		-0.665	1.33
16	13.0	23.1	4.090		-1.429	0.00	16	14.0	24.9	3.850		-1.995	0.00
BM			2.661		BM=0	No16=0	BM			1.855		BM=0	No16=0

Level condition

0.46 0.32 0.13 0.00
 1.00 1.10 0.99 0.78
 1.59 1.75 1.63 1.47
 2.16 2.37 2.28 2.15

No 16=0

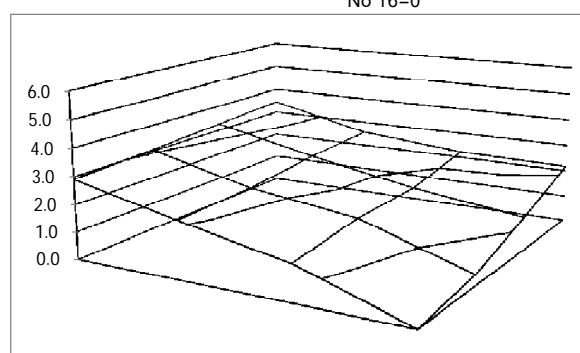


Highest pin position Pin No 2 2.37
 Lowest pin position Pin No 16 0.00
 Difference 2.37
 Distance x-direction 10 y-direction 15
 Distande 18.0 m
 Slope (%) 13.1 %
 Slope (degree) 7.5 degree

Level condition

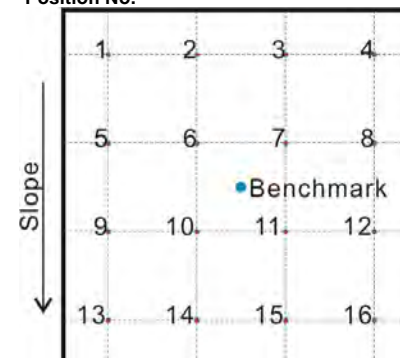
2.91 2.07 1.33 0.00
 3.05 2.18 1.67 0.40
 3.26 2.43 1.75 1.23
 3.45 2.57 2.22 2.17

No 16=0



Highest pin position Pin No 2 3.45
 Lowest pin position Pin No 16 0.00
 Difference 3.45
 Distance x-direction 15 y-direction 15
 Distande 21.2 m
 Slope (%) 16.3 %
 Slope (degree) 9.2 degree

Position No.



Annex 1 Initial Setting 5/9

Fire Willy

Chigojo village, T/A Machinjiri

GPS Coordinate 723074 15°41'52.7"S Elevation: 1049 masl

UTM 36S 8263376 35°04'53.3"E

Date of recording: 2013/8/2 2013/8/5

Contact: Prisca Kulemeka (FA Machinjiri 0881218833)

Owner: Fire Willy (088516199)

Pin Level Reading

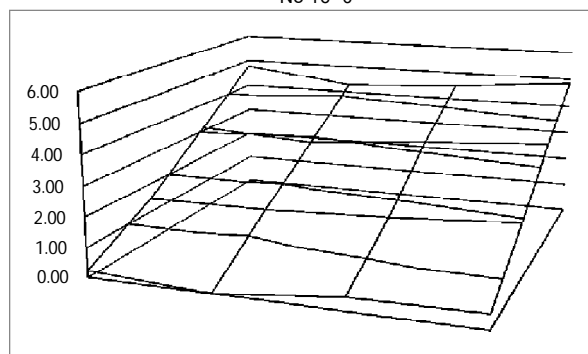
Woodlot

Woodlot							Bare land								
Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)	Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)		
1	0.0	0.0		1.740	2.694	4.78	1	3.5	6.1	0.300		2.749	5.74		
2	21.0	38.4		2.233	2.201	4.28	2	4.0	7.0	0.880		2.169	5.16		
3	19.2	34.8		2.004	2.430	4.51	3	8.1	14.2	1.010		2.039	5.03		
4	17.2	31.0		1.657	2.777	4.86	4	12.0	21.3	1.035		2.014	5.00		
5	16.8	30.2	0.637		1.031	3.11	5	6.5	11.4	1.572		1.477	4.47		
6	16.0	28.7	0.880		0.788	2.87	6	11.0	19.4	1.848		1.201	4.19		
7	12.0	21.3	0.527		1.141	3.22	7	9.8	17.3	2.166		0.883	3.87		
8	18.1	32.7	0.271		1.397	3.48	8	18.8	34.0	2.550		0.499	3.49		
9	13.5	24.0	2.283		-0.615	1.47	9	1.6	2.8	2.542		0.507	3.50		
10	18.5	33.5	2.252		-0.584	1.50	10	15.7	28.1	2.928		0.121	3.11		
11	15.0	26.8	2.087		-0.419	1.66	11	11.5	20.3	3.680		-0.631	2.36		
12	19.3	35.0	1.836		-0.168	1.91	12	19.2	34.8	4.225		-1.176	1.81		
13	22.7	41.8	3.521		-1.853	0.23	13	17.3	31.1		3.030	-2.12	0.87		
14	18.3	33.1	3.750		-2.082	0.00	14	14.0	24.9		3.200	-2.29	0.70		
15	12.1	21.4	3.325		-1.657	0.43	15	22.0	40.4		3.360	-2.45	0.54		
16	18.4	33.3	3.258		-1.590	0.49	16	10.0	17.6		3.900	-2.99	0.00		
			BM	1.668	4.434	BM=0	No14=0				BM	3.049	0.91	BM=0	No16=0

Level condition

0.23	0.00	0.43	0.49
1.47	1.50	1.66	1.91
3.11	2.87	3.22	3.48
4.78	4.28	4.51	4.86

No 16=0

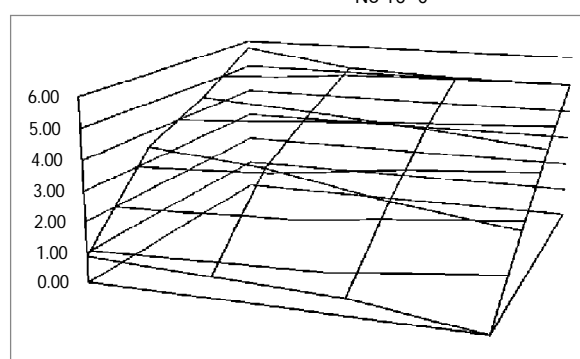


Highest pin position	Pin No 4	4.86
Lowest pin position	Pin No 14	0.00
Difference		4.86
Distance x-direction	10 y-direction	15
Distanse		18.0 m
Slope (%)		27.0 %
Slope (degree)		15.1 degree

Level condition

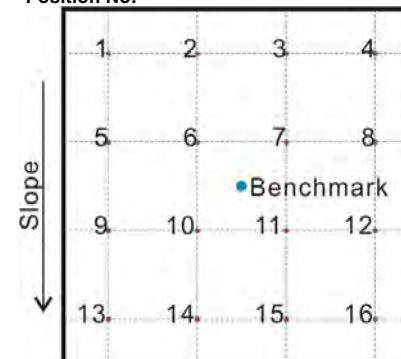
0.87	0.70	0.54	0.00
3.50	3.11	2.36	1.81
4.47	4.19	3.87	3.49
5.74	5.16	5.03	5.00

No 16=0



Highest pin position	Pin No 1	5.74
Lowest pin position	Pin No 16	0.00
Difference		5.74
Distance x-direction	15 y-direction	15
Distanse		21.2 m
Slope (%)		27.1 %
Slope (degree)		15.1 degree

Position No.



Annex 1 Initial Setting 6/9

Alekazawo KUMPASA Mwasama village, T/A Makata

GPS Coordinate 725591 15°32'44.6"S Elevation: 776 masl

UTM 36S 8280205 35°06'12.2"E

Date of recording: #####

Contact: Glory Kalagho (FA Makata 0888006971)

Owner: Sister of the owner

Pin Level Reading

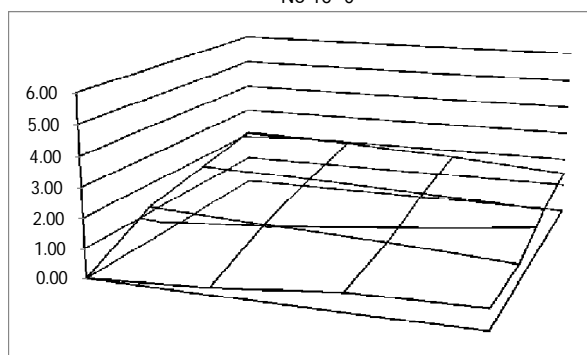
Woodland Plot

Woodland Plot							Bare land						
Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)	Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)
1	2.3	4.0	0.770		0.792	2.06	1	16.2	29.1	2.327		-0.110	1.01
2	9.1	16.0	0.881		0.681	1.95	2	4.5	7.8	1.773		0.444	1.57
3	2.4	4.2	1.087		0.475	1.74	3	3.9	6.9	1.318		0.899	2.02
4	5.4	9.5	1.369		0.193	1.46	4	2.0	3.5	0.471		1.746	2.87
5	4.0	7.0	1.195		0.367	1.63	5	5.0	8.7	2.957		-0.740	0.38
6	15.8	28.3	1.308		0.254	1.52	6	7.2	12.6	2.415		-0.198	0.93
7	0.0	0.0	1.460		0.102	1.37	7	16.1	28.9	1.933		0.284	1.41
8	9.3	16.4	1.623		-0.061	1.21	8	1.6	2.8	1.300		0.917	2.04
9	8.0	14.1	1.637		-0.075	1.19	9	22.6	41.6	3.340		-1.123	0.00
10	1.0	1.7	1.811		-0.249	1.02	10	17.8	32.1	2.677		-0.460	0.66
11	1.8	3.1	1.977		-0.415	0.85	11	13.9	24.7	2.091		0.126	1.25
12	5.7	10.0	2.227		-0.665	0.60	12	6.0	10.5	1.461		0.756	1.88
13	4.1	7.2	2.829		-1.267	0.00	13	2.3	4.0	3.116		-0.899	0.22
14	8.3	14.6	2.604		-1.042	0.23	14	10.5	18.5	2.530		-0.313	0.81
15	8.0	14.1	2.202		-0.640	0.63	15	5.2	9.1	2.090		0.127	1.25
16	9.2	16.2	2.140		-0.578	0.69	16	14.4	25.7	1.442		0.775	1.90
			BM	1.562	BM=0	No13=0				BM	2.217	BM=0	No9=0

Level condition

0.00 0.23 0.63 0.69
 1.19 1.02 0.85 0.60
 1.63 1.52 1.37 1.21
 2.06 1.95 1.74 1.46

No 16=0

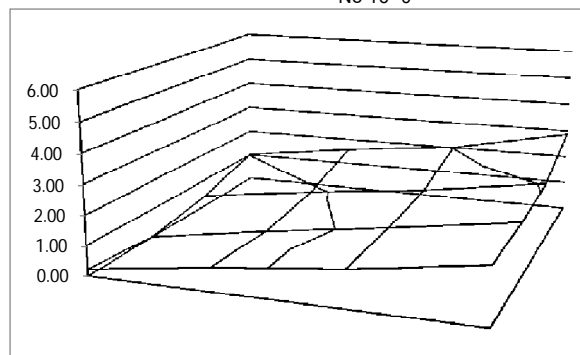


Highest pin position Pin No 1 2.06
 Lowest pin position Pin No 13 0.00
 Difference 2.06
 Distance x-direction 0 y-direction 15
 Distande 15.0 m
 Slope (%) 13.7 %
 Slope (degree) 7.8 degree

Level condition

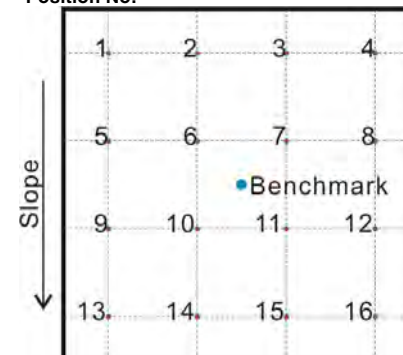
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 0.00 0.66 1.25 1.88
 0.38 0.93 1.41 2.04
 1.01 1.57 2.02 2.87

No 16=0



Highest pin position Pin No 4 2.87
 Lowest pin position Pin No 9 0.00
 Difference 2.87
 Distance x-direction 15 y-direction 10
 Distande 18.0 m
 Slope (%) 15.9 %
 Slope (degree) 9.0 degree

Position No.



Annex 1 Initial Setting 7/9

Dyton CHINKONDA

Thom-Mbela village, T/A Chigaru

GPS Coordinate 707570 15°30'56.5"S Elevation: 531 masl

UTM 36S 8283696 34°56'06.5"E

Date of recording: #####

Contact: Kalembe Mkwati (FA Chigaru 0884602246)

Owner:

Pin Level Reading

Woodland Plot

Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)	Bare land	Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)
1	3.0	5.2	0.910		0.847	1.96		1	5.3	9.3	1.629		20.306	0.94
2	6.0	10.5	0.973		0.784	1.90		2	4.0	7.0	1.788		20.147	0.79
3	4.5	7.9	0.920		0.837	1.95		3	1.8	3.1	1.761		20.174	0.81
4	8.0	14.1	1.073		0.684	1.80		4	0.0	0.0	1.864		20.071	0.71
5	4.9	8.6	1.388		0.369	1.48		5	4.0	7.0	1.872		20.063	0.70
6	6.0	10.5	1.466		0.291	1.40		6	5.8	10.2	2.033		19.902	0.54
7	2.8	4.9	1.423		0.334	1.45		7	4.4	7.7	2.108		19.827	0.47
8	4.5	7.9	1.563		0.194	1.31		8	4.4	7.7	2.156		19.779	0.42
9	7.4	13.0	2.022		-0.265	0.85		9	3.4	5.9	2.213		19.722	0.36
10	0.3	0.5	2.009		-0.252	0.86		10	4.6	8.0	2.337		19.598	0.24
11	7.3	12.8	2.299		-0.542	0.57		11	2.2	3.8	2.296		19.639	0.28
12	4.1	7.2	1.986		-0.229	0.88		12	2.0	3.5	2.341		19.594	0.23
13	5.3	9.3	2.648		-0.891	0.22		13	4.3	7.5	2.434		19.501	0.14
14	6.1	10.7	2.641		-0.884	0.23		14	2.0	3.5	2.566		19.369	0.01
15	9.0	15.8	2.870		-1.113	0.00		15	9.0	15.8	2.372		19.563	0.20
16	1.8	3.1	2.866		-1.109	0.00		16	4.0	7.0	2.574		19.361	0.00
		BM	1.757		BM=0	No15=0				BM	21.935		BM=0	No16=0

Level condition

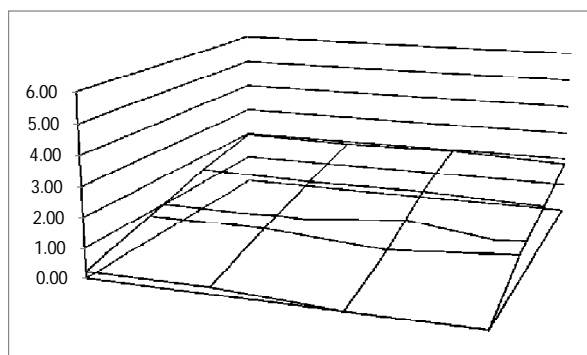
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0.85	0.86	0.57	0.88
1.48	1.40	1.45	1.31
1.96	1.90	1.95	1.80

No 15=0

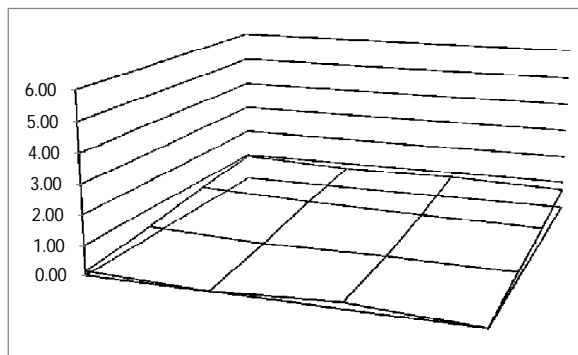
Level condition

0.14	0.01	0.20	0.00
0.36	0.24	0.28	0.23
0.70	0.54	0.47	0.42
0.94	0.79	0.81	0.71

No 16=0

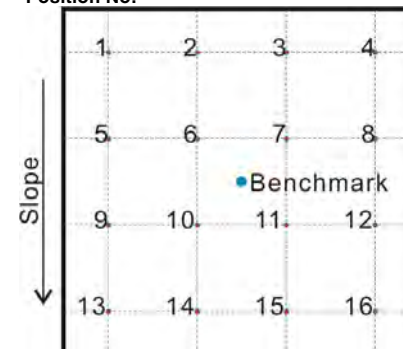


Highest pin position	Pin No 1	1.96
Lowest pin position	Pin No 15	0.00
Difference		1.96
Distance x-direction	10 y-direction	15
Distance		18.0 m
Slope (%)		10.9 %
Slope (degree)		6.2 degree



Highest pin position	Pin No 4	0.94
Lowest pin position	Pin No 9	0.00
Difference		0.94
Distance x-direction	15 y-direction	15
Distance		21.2 m
Slope (%)		4.5 %
Slope (degree)		2.6 degree

Position No.



Annex 1 Initial Setting 8/9

Rufi Kamala

Kavalo village, T/A Chigaru

GPS Coordinate 715252 15°25'10.8"S Elevation: 745 masl

UTM 36S 8249255 35°00'20.9"E

Date of recording: #####

Contact: Kalembwe Mkwati (FA Chigaru 0884602246)

Owner:

Pin Level Reading

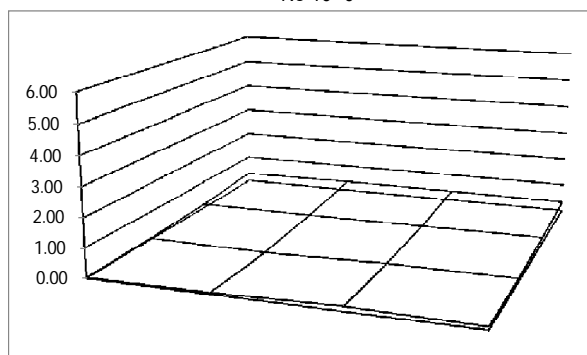
Woodland Plot

Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)	Bare land	Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)
1	1.2	2.1	1.433		0.142	0.305		1	5.8	10.2	1.130		0.397	0.49
2	0.0	0.0	1.400		0.175	0.338		2	1.2	2.1	1.223		0.304	0.40
3	0.8	1.4	1.386		0.189	0.352		3	1.5	2.6	1.283		0.244	0.34
4	1.1	1.9	1.404		0.171	0.334		4	2.3	4.0	1.258		0.269	0.36
5	1.8	3.1	1.594		-0.019	0.144		5	9.7	17.1	1.369		0.158	0.25
6	0.1	0.2	1.602		-0.027	0.136		6	3.5	6.1	1.458		0.069	0.16
7	7.5	13.2	1.584		-0.009	0.154		7	0.1	0.2	1.518		0.009	0.10
8	2.0	3.5	1.548		0.027	0.190		8	1.1	1.9	1.436		0.091	0.19
9	4.0	7.0	1.698		-0.123	0.040		9	0.5	0.9	1.622		-0.095	0.00
10	0.0	0.0	1.738		-0.163	0.000		10	2.0	3.5	1.451		0.076	0.17
11	2.5	4.4	1.616		-0.041	0.122		11	0.0	0.0	1.489		0.038	0.13
12	1.8	3.1	1.615		-0.040	0.123		12	4.3	7.5	1.520		0.007	0.10
13	2.0	3.5	1.710		-0.135	0.028		13	0.3	0.5	1.569		-0.042	0.05
14	1.5	2.6	1.680		-0.105	0.058		14	0.5	0.9	1.582		-0.055	0.04
15	3.3	5.8	1.575		0.000	0.163		15	3.2	5.6	1.553		-0.026	0.07
16	3.0	5.2	1.632		-0.057	0.106		16	3.8	6.6	1.546		-0.019	0.08
BM1			1.575		BM=0	No10=0		BM			1.527		BM=0	No9=0

Level condition

0.03	0.06	0.16	0.11
0.04	0.00	0.12	0.12
0.14	0.14	0.15	0.19
0.31	0.34	0.35	0.33

No 10=0

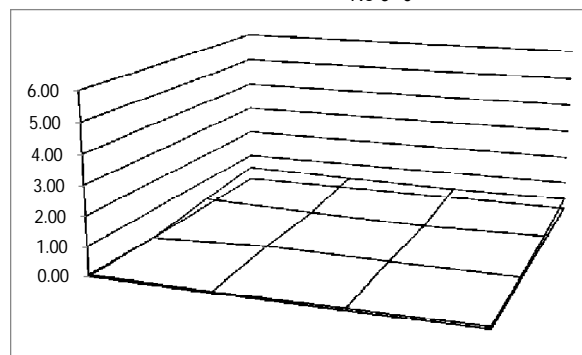


Highest pin position	Pin No 3	0.352
Lowest pin position	Pin No 10	0.000
Difference		0.352
Distance x-direction	5 y-direction	10
Distance		11.2 m
Slope (%)		3.1 %
Slope (degree)		1.8 degree

Level condition

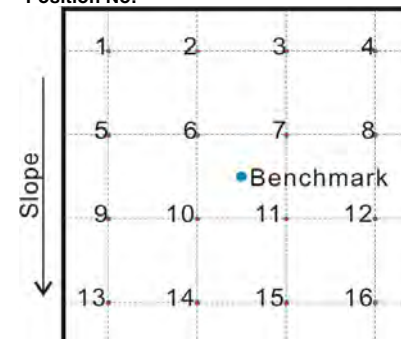
0.05	0.04	0.07	0.08
0.00	0.17	0.13	0.10
0.25	0.16	0.10	0.19
0.49	0.40	0.34	0.36

No 9=0



Highest pin position	Pin No 13	0.49
Lowest pin position	Pin No 9	0.00
Difference		0.49
Distance x-direction	10 y-direction	0
Distance		10.0 m
Slope (%)		4.9 %
Slope (degree)		2.8 degree

Position No.



Annex 1 Initial Setting 9/9

Nasangwe Forest Group Mkolesya village, T/A Kapeni

GPS Coordinate 715059 15°25'19.2"S Elevation: 509 masl

UTM 36S 8293999 35°00'14.6"E

Pin Level Reading

Woodland Plot

Bare land

Date of recording: #####

Contact: James Andiwoshi (FA Kapeni 0111981414)

Chirman: Maxell Sekeyani 0888877687 0999560361

Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)	Pin No	Slope-deg	Slope-%	level read	Level rear	Level (m)	Level (m)
1	11.8	20.9	0.304		2.624	5.139	1	8.0	14.1	2.083		0.735	4.09
2	23.1	42.7	0.341		2.587	5.102	2	0.2	0.3	0.780		2.038	5.39
3	20.0	36.4	0.410		2.518	5.033	3	10.4	18.4	0.717		2.101	5.45
4	21.9	40.2	0.288		2.640	5.155	4	3.8	6.6	0.448		2.370	5.72
5	8.5	14.9	2.500		0.428	2.943	5	21.0	38.4	3.057		-0.239	3.11
6	5.7	10.0	2.174		0.754	3.269	6	15.8	28.3	2.181		0.637	3.99
7	27.8	52.7	2.083		0.845	3.360	7	0.0	0.0	2.233		0.585	3.94
8	4.2	7.3	2.215		0.713	3.228	8	4.8	8.4	1.984		0.834	4.19
9	18.0	32.5	3.954		-1.026	1.489	9	16.0	28.7	3.621	3.621	-2.155	1.20
10	22.0	40.4	3.874		-0.946	1.569	10	6.0	10.5		2.007	-0.541	2.81
11	2.0	3.5	3.729		-0.801	1.714	11	2.7	4.7		2.217	-0.751	2.60
12	12.0	21.3	3.826		-0.898	1.617	12	4.2	7.3		1.909	-0.443	2.91
13	21.3	39.0		3.060	-2.372	0.143	13	6.9	12.1		4.818	-3.352	0.00
14	8.0	14.1		3.112	-2.424	0.091	14	12.8	22.7		4.208	-2.742	0.61
15	6.2	10.9		3.078	-2.390	0.125	15	10.5	18.5		3.648	-2.182	1.17
16	10.5	18.5		3.203	-2.515	0.000	16	10.8	19.1		3.582	-2.116	1.24
BM1			2.928	0.688	BM=0	No15=0	BM			2.818	1.466	BM=0	No16=0

Level condition

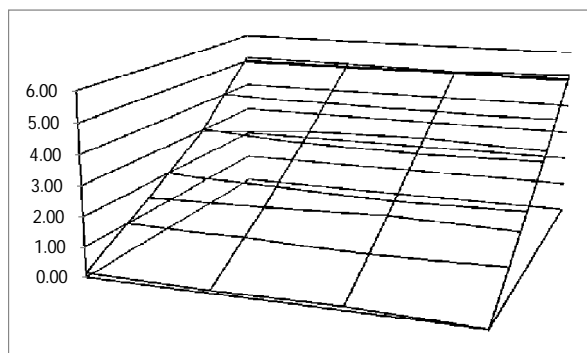
0.14	0.09	0.13	0.00
1.49	1.57	1.71	1.62
2.94	3.27	3.36	3.23
5.14	5.10	5.03	5.16

No 16=0

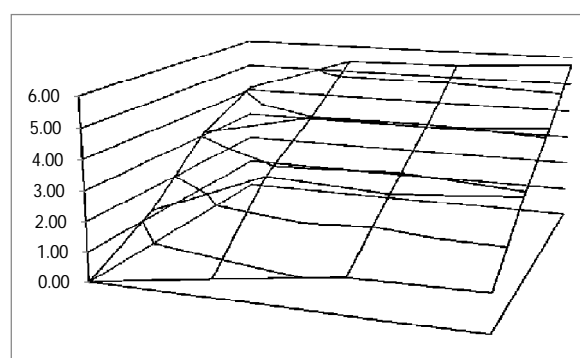
Level condition

13	0.00	0.61	1.17	1.24
9	1.20	2.81	2.60	2.91
5	3.11	3.99	3.94	4.19
1	4.09	5.39	5.45	5.72

No 13=0

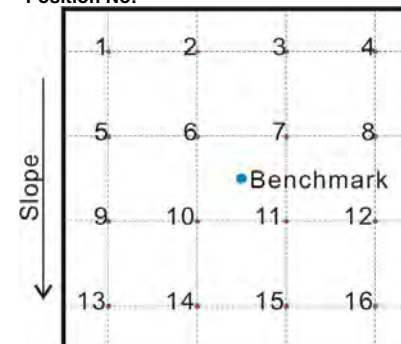


Highest pin position	Pin No 4	5.155
Lowest pin position	Pin No 16	0.000
Difference		5.155
Distance x-direction	0 y-direction	15
Distanse	15.0 m	
Slope (%)	34.4 %	
Slope (degree)	19.0 degree	



Highest pin position	Pin No 4	5.72
Lowest pin position	Pin No 13	0.00
Difference		5.72
Distance x-direction	15 y-direction	15
Distanse	21.2 m	
Slope (%)	27.0 %	
Slope (degree)	15.1 degree	

Position No.



Annex 2 Rainfall record 2013/2014

Chigojo, TA Machinjiri

Year	2013			2014		
Date	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1			20	2		
2			10	13		
3						
4			2	50		2
5	6			4		12
6			42			3
7				15		3
8				50	3	
9				52		
10						
11			16	13		3
12	6		2	2		
13			15			
14		18		40		
15		9	3		2	
16		14			2	
17		42		1	26	
18		13		3	15	
19		13			2	
20		80	1			
21			2	5		
22				5		
23	15			3		
24		22	1	5		
25			4	9		
26				9		
27		2	5	2		
28		2	30	2		
29	20		15			
30			4			
31			12			
Total	47	215	184	285	50	23
Acc.		262	446	731	781	804
Days	4	10	17	20	6	5
Acc.		14	31	51	57	62

Mwasama, TA Makata

Year	2013			2014		
Date	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1		5		15	1	
2			15	15		
3		2	30	6		
4			7	4		
5	6		2			
6						5
7			25			7
8			7	24		1
9				5		
10			8	70		
11				22		
12			38	18		
13			10			
14		2	30	20		
15		15	3	100		
16				3	20	
17	2			9	11	
18		10			23	
19					5	
20	20	10			1	
21		2				
22			1	4		
23				7		
24			14	4		
25	3		4			
26		2	4	4		
27				1		
28		25	25			2
29	25		3			7
30		15	3			
31			20			
Total	56	88	249	331	61	22
Acc.		144	393	724	785	807
Days	5	10	19	18	6	5
Acc.		15	34	52	58	63

Tom Mbela, TA Chigaru

Year	2013			2014		
Date	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1			24			
2		16	19	18		
3						
4	3		9			
5				5		
6			18		2	
7					36	
8					6	
9			10	88		
10			14	11		
11						
12				18		
13			8	5	7	
14						
15		12	18		18	
16				5		
17		18				
18						
19		15				
20	16				3	
21				4		
22	5					
23						
24				8		
25					39	
26				2	48	
27		22				
28	1		9	4		64
29						
30						
31		2	54			
Total	25	85	183	168	159	64
Acc.		110	293	461	620	684
Days	4	6	10	11	8	1
Acc.		10	20	31	39	40

Mkolesya, TA Kapeni

Year	2013			2014		
Date	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1			30	7		
2			15	2		
3						
4	4		1	20		20
5						
6			50			
7				5	3	
8				15	4	
9				10		
10						
11	10		20	10		
12		1	5			
13			15			
14		5	5	45		
15		8	2	5	4	
16				10	20	
17		5			30	
18		15			30	
19	10					
20	1	90			5	
21			30			
22	15		10			
23			45	6		
24				4		
25		20	7			
26				15		
27		20	40	30		
28	5	5	5	10		
29		1	5			
30			7			
31		10	12			
Total	45	180	304	194	96	20
Acc.		225	529	723	819	839
Days	6	11	18	15	7	1
Acc.		17	35	50	57	58

Kavalo, TA Chigaru

Year	2013			2014		
Date	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1		4	8	12		
2			39	20		
3						
4				5		1
5		8			12	
6			3	8		2
7					3	
8				20	3	
9			95	80		
10				32		
11			4	3	4	
12		24	20			13
13		10	30	32	10	
14				25		
15		49	2	1		
16				5	15	
17		3				
18		1			60	
19						
20						
21				26		
22	17					
23	3		3	1		
24	2		7	1	24	
25		9			7	
26						
27		9	12			11
28			3	11		10
29			5			
30			20			
31			34			
Total	22	117	290	277	139	36
Acc.		139	429	706	845	881
Days	3	9	16	15	10	4
Acc.		12	28	43	53	57

Annex 3 Rainfall record 2014/2015

Mkolesya TA Kapnei

Year	2014		2015			
Date	Novem	Decem	Januar	Februa	March	April
1			1	15	2	
2				20	10	
3			10	30		
4			40	10		
5			20	5		
6	60		10	2		
7			1		5	
8			15			2
9		20	15	70		
10		15	60			
11		4	90	20		
12		10	120			
13			110			
14			30	10		
15		4		15	5	
16					20	40
17		2	20			60
18		40				2
19			10			
20				10		
21				30		
22		12	3	20	10	
23				2		
24					5	
25		4	30	60		
26						
27		30	20			
28		15	40		5	
29			30			
30		15	60			
31			20			
mm	60	171	755	319	62	104
Total mm		231	986	1,305	1,367	1,471
days	1	12	22	15	8	4
Total days		13	35	50	58	62

Kavalo, TA Chigaru

Year	2014		2015			
Date	Novem	Decem	Januar	Februa	March	April
1			30	5		
2				30		
3			16	44		
4			12			
5			8	26		
6			7	3		4
7			2		4	6
8		2	34			
9		15	11			
10		4				
11	2		29	55		
12			100			
13			36			
14	5	3		30		
15		13	2	10		4
16				2		12
17			32			10
18	3		2		10	8
19	2	9				3
20						8
21				1	9	
22		4		12	8	
23		3		9		
24		1		10	7	
25			8	38	6	
26					5	
27			11			
28			8		3	
29		18	12		4	
30		26	7			
31		16	60			
mm	12	114	427	275	56	55
Total mm		126	553	828	884	939
days	4	12	20	14	9	8
Total days		16	36	50	59	67

Annex 4 2013/2014 Data

Chigojo village, T/A Machinjiri

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:
20130802 20140807

Woodland plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	-12
2	-15	-25
3	-15	-15
4	-15	-20
5	-15	-23
6	-15	-29
7	-15	-28
8	-15	-25
9	-15	-21
10	-15	-19
11	-15	-18
12	-15	-8
13	-15	-25
14	-15	-14
15	-15	-16
16	-15	-26
Total	-240	-324
Average	-15	-20.25

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	-65
2	-15	-18
3	-15	-20
4	-15	-21
5	-15	-23
6	-15	-20
7	-15	-17
8	-15	-17
9	-15	-15
10	-15	-8
11	-15	-15
12	-15	-18
13	-15	-13
14	-15	-26
15	-15	-25
16	-15	-25
Total	-240	-346
Average	-15	-21.63

Mwasama village, T/A Makata

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:
20130812 20140716

Woodland Plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	0
2	-15	0
3	-15	0
4	-15	-13
5	-15	0
6	-15	-15
7	-15	-18
8	-15	-18
9	-15	-14
10	-15	-11
11	-15	-14
12	-15	-15
13	-15	-9
14	-15	-4
15	-15	-5
16	-15	-13
Total	-240	-149
Average	-15	-9.31

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	NA
2	-15	NA
3	-15	20
4	-15	23
5	-15	NA
6	-15	NA
7	-15	30
8	-15	NA
9	-15	NA
10	-15	NA
11	-15	NA
12	-15	NA
13	-15	NA
14	-15	NA
15	-15	NA
16	-15	NA
Total	-240	73
Average	-15	24.33

Thom-Mbela village, T/A Chigaru

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:
20130816 20140711

Woodland Plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	0
2	-15	5
3	-15	4
4	-15	2
5	-15	-0.5
6	-15	-4.5
7	-15	-1.5
8	-15	-0.5
9	-15	-0.5
10	-15	-5
11	-15	-0.5
12	-15	-1
13	-15	-4
14	-15	0
15	-15	-3
16	-15	1
Total	-240	-9
Average	-15	-0.56

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	0
2	-15	0
3	-15	-5
4	-15	0
5	-15	-21.5
6	-15	-21
7	-15	-12
8	-15	-7
9	-15	-8.5
10	-15	-15.5
11	-15	-11.5
12	-15	-4.5
13	-15	-19.5
14	-15	-14.5
15	-15	-15
16	-15	-14.5
Total	-240	-170
Average	-15	-10.63

Kavalo village, T/A Chigaru

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:
20130820 20140715

Woodland Plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	-23
2	-15	-20
3	-15	-18
4	-15	-6
5	-15	-24
6	-15	-14
7	-15	-11
8	-15	-5
9	-15	-18
10	-15	0
11	-15	-19
12	-15	-20
13	-15	-17
14	-15	-12
15	-15	-20
16	-15	-8
Total	-240	-235
Average	-15	-14.69

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	NA
2	-15	53
3	-15	87
4	-15	27
5	-15	NA
6	-15	NA
7	-15	-10
8	-15	0
9	-15	NA
10	-15	-21
11	-15	0
12	-15	2
13	-15	0
14	-15	17
15	-15	43
16	-15	90
Total	-240	288
Average	-15	24.00

Mkolesya village, T/A Kapeni

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:
20130819 20140723

Woodland Plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	-22
2	-15	-19
3	-15	-14
4	-15	-15
5	-15	0
6	-15	-14
7	-15	-30
8	-15	-12
9	-15	-16
10	-15	-13
11	-15	-16
12	-15	-6
13	-15	-18
14	-15	-15
15	-15	-17
16	-15	-19
Total	-240	-246
Average	-15	-15.38

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G
1	-15	0
2	-15	-17
3	-15	-20
4	-15	-18
5	-15	-20
6	-15	-7
7	-15	-12
8	-15	-16
9	-15	-23
10	-15	-15
11	-15	-19
12	-15	-10
13	-15	-15
14	-15	-6
15	-15	-9
16	-15	-15
Total	-240	-222
Average	-15	-13.88

Annex 5 2014/2015 Data

Kavalo village, T/A Chigaru

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:

20130820 20140715 20150625

Woodland Plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G	P-G
1	-15	-23	-26.5
2	-15	-20	-23.5
3	-15	-18	-28.5
4	-15	-6	-6
5	-15	-24	-19.5
6	-15	-14	-8
7	-15	-11	-10.5
8	-15	-5	-13
9	-15	-18	-9.5
10	-15	0	0
11	-15	-19	-20.5
12	-15	-20	-18.5
13	-15	-17	-10.5
14	-15	-12	-3
15	-15	-20	-10
16	-15	-8	-9
Total	-240	-235	-216.5
Average	-15	-14.69	-13.53

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G	P-G
1	-15	NA	NA
2	-15	53	NA
3	-15	87	NA
4	-15	27	-13
5	-15	NA	NA
6	-15	NA	NA
7	-15	-10	NA
8	-15	0	NA
9	-15	NA	NA
10	-15	-21	NA
11	-15	0	NA
12	-15	2	NA
13	-15	0	NA
14	-15	17	NA
15	-15	43	NA
16	-15	90	NA
Total	-240	288	-13
Average	-15	24.00	-13.00

Mkolesya village, T/A Kapeni

Pin Level Reading

Date of recording:

20130819 20140723 20150625

Woodland Plot

Pin No	P-G	P-G	P-G
1	-15	-22	-17
2	-15	-19	-12.5
3	-15	-14	-14
4	-15	-15	-37.5
5	-15	0	-17.5
6	-15	-14	-12.5
7	-15	-30	-29.5
8	-15	-12	-19
9	-15	-16	0
10	-15	-13	-14
11	-15	-16	-19.5
12	-15	-6	-13
13	-15	-18	-16
14	-15	-15	-9.5
15	-15	-17	-17
16	-15	-19	0
Total	-240	-246	-248.5
Average	-15	-15.38	-15.53

Bare land

Pin No	P-G	P-G	P-G
1	-15	0	-6.5
2	-15	-17	-12.5
3	-15	-20	-22.5
4	-15	-18	-8
5	-15	-20	-13
6	-15	-7	-8
7	-15	-12	-6.5
8	-15	-16	-7.5
9	-15	-23	-8
10	-15	-15	-5.5
11	-15	-19	-10
12	-15	-10	-5.5
13	-15	-15	-8.5
14	-15	-6	-2.5
15	-15	-9	0
16	-15	-15	-8
Total	-240	-222	-132.5
Average	-15	-13.88	-8.28

Annex 6 Operation Schedule 1/2

Annex 6 Operation Schedule 1/2										2013																													
										May							June							July							August							Septer	
										01-05	05-12	13-19	20-26	27-02	03-09	10-16	17-23	24-30	01-07	08-14	15-21	22-28	29-04	05-11	12-18	19-25	26-01	02-08											
Tree site																																							
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1 Introduction

In the planning stage of the COVAMS II project, soil conservation techniques used by COVAMS and COVAMS II project were thought that it is necessary to be verified their effectiveness through research. It was finally appeared in the project design matrix (PDM) as the output 3. The output 3 was described that "Effectiveness of the catchment management techniques of COVAMS is quantitatively verified by an action research".

For this output 3 of the PDM a short term expert was dispatched in the year 2013 and designed the research and set research sites in farming garden and tree cover area. There are three research items following the extension subjects of the COVAMS II project such as contour ridge technique, tree growing technique and small scale gully control technique.

Main objective of the research was to measure the soil volume prevented from erosion by applying conservation techniques promoted by COVAMS II project.

In this report, the result of research on the contour ridge and small scale gully control is explained.

2 Objectives of the research on contour ridge and small scale gully control

Objective of the research was explained in the action research plan as following, "The purpose of Action Research is to verify quantitatively the effects of three COVAMS soil management techniques (contour ridging, tree planting and gully control)". Focusing on two techniques, contour ridging and gully control, it could be described that the objective of research is to know volume of the soil prevented from erosion by applying those techniques, and for contour ridging effect of technique on the yield of Maize is also measured.

3 Research method

3.1 3 sites in Blantyre

Research method was explained in the action research plan in detail from how to set the sites to how to measure the soil volume eroded from the experiment plot. For the first three sites which constructed in Blantyre district in 2013/2014 fiscal year, soil volume is measured from sediment particles from the sample runoff water.

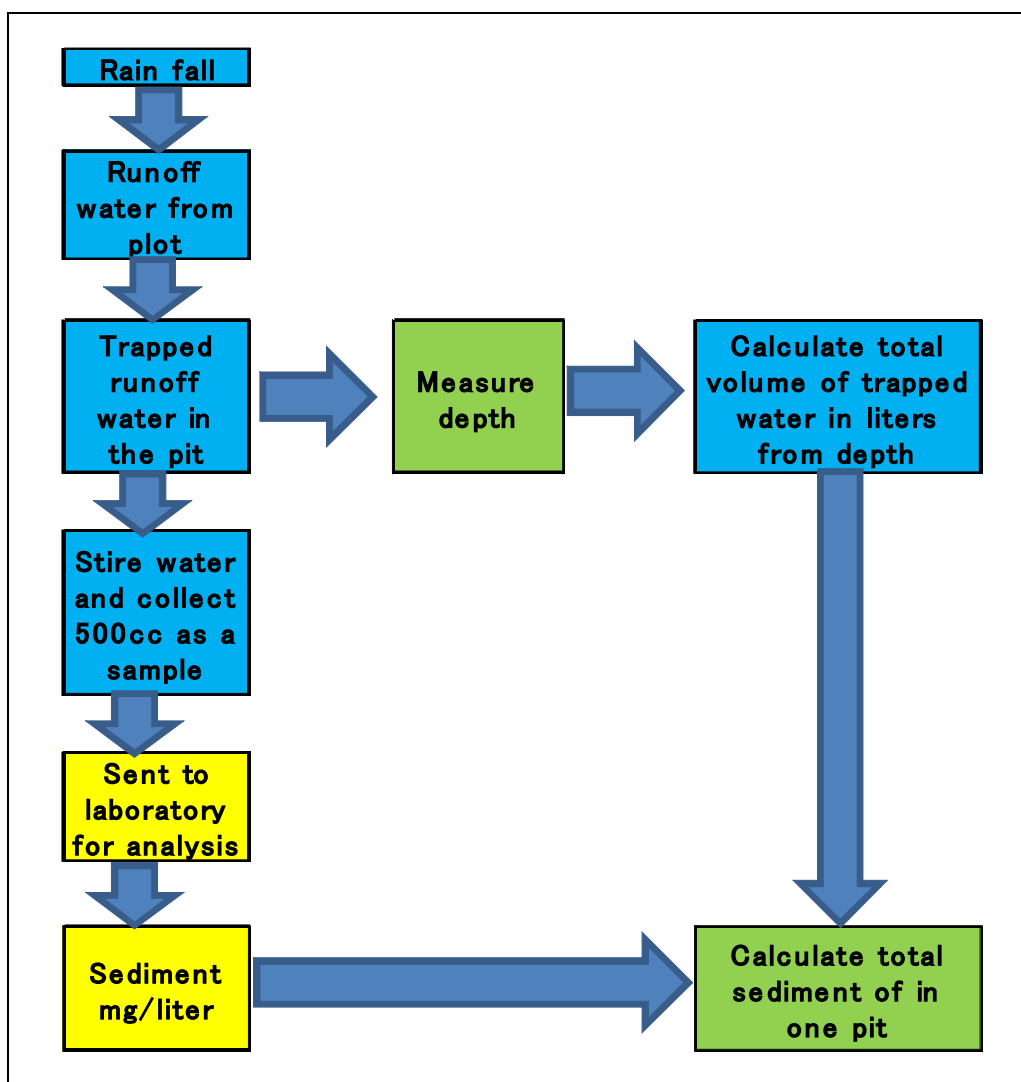


Figure 1 Process of sampling and calculation of total volume of sediment

3.2 Simplified 7 sites

It was planned as simplified method of the research on soil loss study from maize garden in 2014 after completing first data collection in 3 sites in Blantyre.

For the simplified seven sites for contour ridges research which constructed in

2014/2015 fiscal year, deposited soil in the trapping ditches were measured physically after rainy season.

Sites were set following the steepness of the slope which was categorized by LRCD such as steep slope, moderate slope and gentle slope. It was expected that three sites would be constructed in all districts according to the slope category but due to the availability of land and its size only Mwanza district could secure three types of research plots.

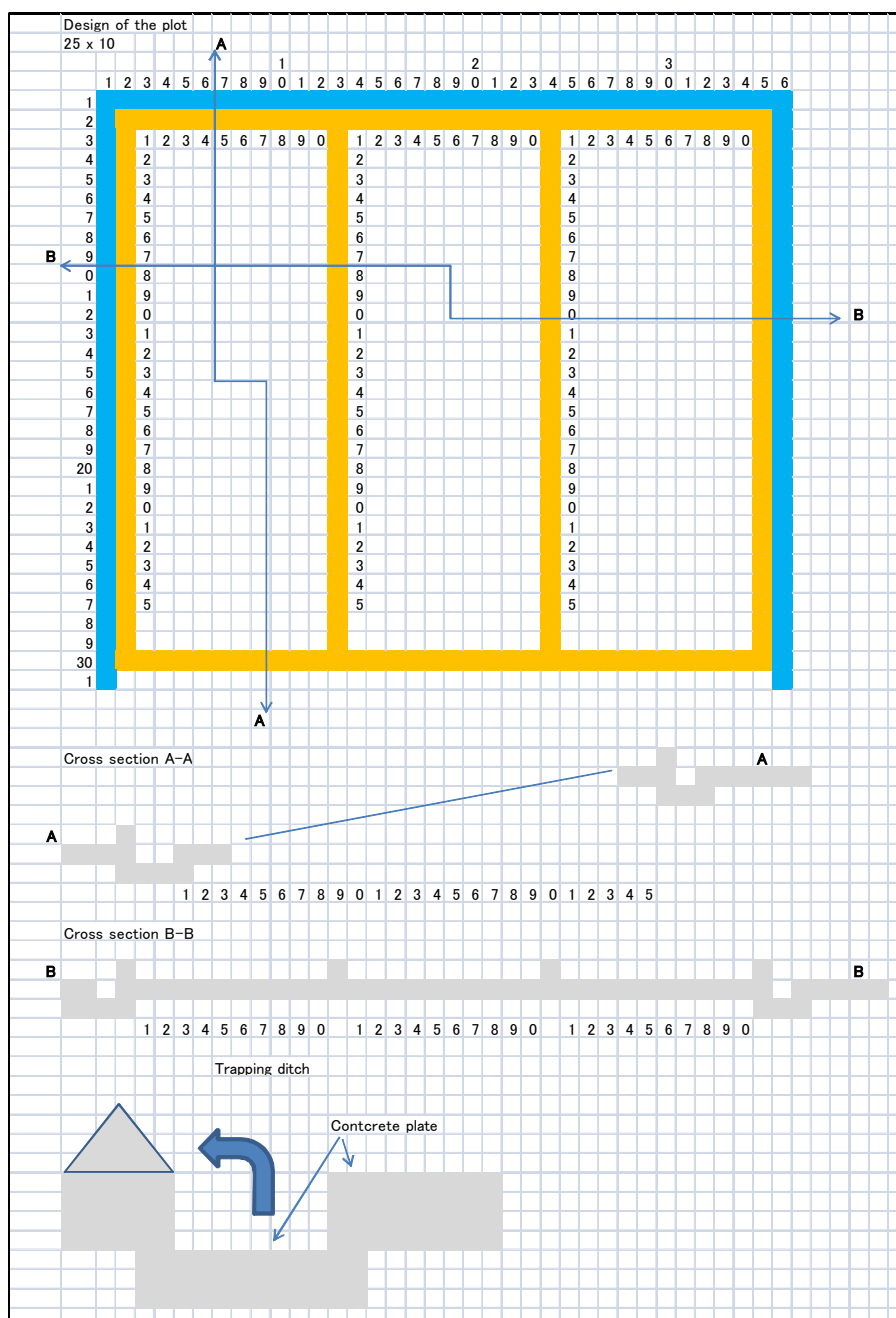


Figure 2 Typical design of research plot

3.3 Yield of Maize

Maize yield was measured plot by plot after harvesting, shelling and drying to the condition for storage in both 3 sites and 7 sites.

3.4 Gully control

Research method was explained in the action research plan in detail how to measure the soil volume prevented from erosion in the gully if check dams were constructed in the gully. For this 2014/2015 season the research team planned to measure size of check dams, particularly width and height of the check dams and to estimate total soil volume accumulated behind the check dams constructed.

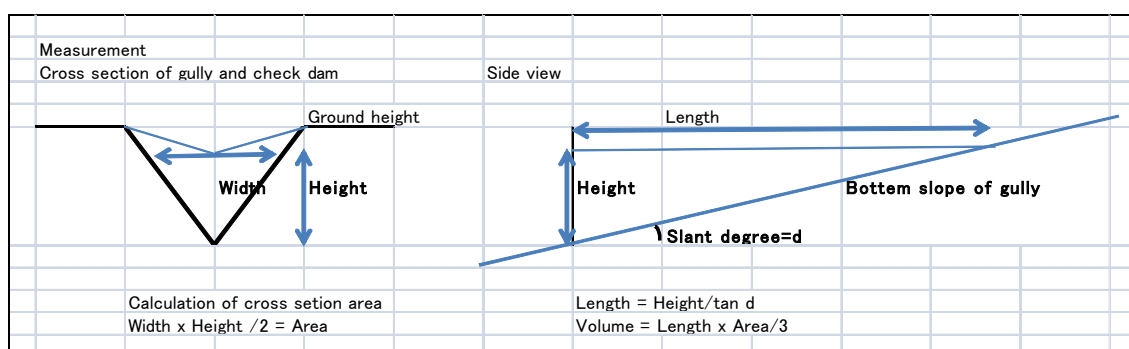


Figure 3 Measurement of check dam and volume calculation

4 Result

4.1 3 sites in Blantyre

2013/2014 season

Observation and data collection carried out in 3 sites only in this season. After analysis of sample water and calculation of runoff water volume following result was obtained.

Table 1 Result of soil loss study in 2013/2014

Lunzu (John Kwaja village)			Rainfall		674 mm	
Duration	from November 2013 to April 2014					
Treatment	Runoff water		Eroded soil total		Maize harvest	
45 degree ridge	577	m3/ha	475	kg/ha	2,479	kg/ha
Contour ridge	415	m3/ha	223	kg/ha	3,208	kg/ha
Bare land as control	2,127	m3/ha	4,725	kg/ha	NIL	kg/ha
Machinjiri (Chakanika village)			Rainfall		607 mm	
Duration	from December 2013 to April 2014					
Treatment	Runoff water		Eroded soil total		Maize harvest	
60 degree ridge	1,196	m3/ha	1,614	kg/ha	3,444	kg/ha
45 degree ridge	885	m3/ha	1,603	kg/ha	3,444	kg/ha
Contour ridge	327	m3/ha	338	kg/ha	3,444	kg/ha
Bare land as control	1,686	m3/ha	3,297	kg/ha	NIL	kg/ha
Lirangwe (Mbuka village)			Rainfall		785 mm	
Duration	from January to April 2014					
Treatment	Runoff water		Eroded soil total		Maize harvest	
60 degree ridge	1,092	m3/ha	747	kg/ha	3,661	kg/ha
45 degree ridge	1,031	m3/ha	599	kg/ha	3,596	kg/ha
Contour ridge	977	m3/ha	596	kg/ha	3,617	kg/ha
Bare land as control	1,839	m3/ha	1,026	kg/ha	NIL	kg/ha

John Kwaja

Runoff water: There was significant difference between control plots and ridged plots. Runoff water volume from control plots was 2,127 m³/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 415 m³/ha. 45 degree ridge plots recorded slightly more than contour plots.

Soil volume: Reflecting the difference of runoff water volume, soil volume is also showing significant differences between control plots and ridged plots. Control plots recorded 4,725 kg/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 223 kg/ha. 45 degree ridge plots recorded more two times of contour ridge plots.

Maize yield: 45 degree ridge plots got 2,479 kg/ha of maize while contour ridge plots got 3,208 kg/ha.

Chakanika village

Runoff water: There was significant difference between control plots and ridged plots. Runoff water volume from control plots was 1,686 m³/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 327 m³/ha. 45 degree ridge plots recorded 885 m³/ha and 65 degree ridge plots recorded 1,196 m³/ha.

Soil volume: Reflecting the difference of runoff water volume, soil volume is also showing differences between control plots and ridged plots. There was significant difference between contour ridge plots and other two degree ridge plots. Contour ridge plots recorded 338 kg/ha while two other ridge plots recorded 1,603 and 1,614 kg/ha. It was almost five times..

Maize yield: There was no difference between contour ridge, 45 degree ridge and 60 degree ridge plots although total yield is higher than average of maize yield in Malawi.

Mbuka village

Runoff water: There was significant difference between control plots and ridged plots. Runoff water volume from control plots was 1,839 m³/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 977 m³/ha. 45 degree ridge plots recorded 1,031 m³/ha and 65 degree ridge plots recorded 1,092 m³/ha.

Soil volume: Reflecting the difference of runoff water volume, soil volume is also showing differences between control plots and ridged plots. There was no significant difference between contour ridge plots and degree ridge plots. Control plots recorded 1,026 kg/ha and other ridge plots recorded between 596 to 747 kg/ha.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between contour ridge, 45 degree ridge and 60 degree ridge plots although total yield is higher than average of maize yield in Malawi.

2014/2015 season

In this season, data was collected from two sites only. John Kwaja site could not collect sample water from the site. The project management asked to collect right data but the owner could not. The project decided to suspend operation in John Kwaja site.

Table 2 Result of soil loss study in 2013/2014

Machinjiri (Chakanika village)			Rainfall		658 mm	
Duration	from October 2014 to April 2015					
Treatment	Runoff water		Eroded soil total		Maize harvest	
60 degree ridge	2,055	m3/ha	4,895	kg/ha	544	kg/ha
45 degree ridge	1,783	m3/ha	4,188	kg/ha	439	kg/ha
Contour ridge	971	m3/ha	1,493	kg/ha	361	kg/ha
Bare land as control	2,657	m3/ha	5,528	kg/ha	NIL	kg/ha
Lirangwe (Mbuka village)			Rainfall		1,411 mm	
Duration	from October 2014 to April 2015					
Treatment	Runoff water		Eroded soil total		Maize harvest	
60 degree ridge	1,462	m3/ha	686	kg/ha	2,278	kg/ha
45 degree ridge	1,407	m3/ha	395	kg/ha	2,278	kg/ha
Contour ridge	1,698	m3/ha	517	kg/ha	2,194	kg/ha
Bare land as control	3,353	m3/ha	1,480	kg/ha	NIL	kg/ha

Chakanika village

Runoff water: There was significant difference between control plots and ridged plots. Runoff water volume from control plots was 2,657 m³/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 971 m³/ha. 45 degree ridge plots recorded 1,783 m³/ha and 65 degree ridge plots recorded 2,055 m³/ha. There was notable difference between contour ridge plots and degree ridge plots.

Soil volume: Soil volume is showing differences between control plots and contour ridged plots. There was significant difference between contour ridge plots and other two degree ridge plots. Soil volume is much more than the one in 2013/2014. Control plots recorded 5,528 kg/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 1,493 kg/ha. 45 degree plots recorded 4,188 kg/ha and 60 degree plots recorded 4,895 kg/ha

Maize yield: There was very small differences between contour ridge, 45 degree ridge and 60 degree ridge plots. Total yield is very much smaller than last year and much lower than average in Malawi.

Mbuka village

Runoff water: There was significant difference between control plots and ridged plots. Runoff water volume from control plots was 3,353 m³/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 1,698 m³/ha. 45 degree ridge plots recorded 1,407 m³/ha and 65 degree ridge plots recorded 1,462 m³/ha.

Soil volume: Reflecting the difference of runoff water volume, soil volume is also showing differences between control plots and ridged plots. There was no significant difference between contour ridge plots and degree ridge plots. Control plots recorded 1,480 kg/ha, while contour ridge plots recorded 517 kg/ha. 45 degree plots recorded 395 kg/ha and 60 degree plots recorded 686 kg/ha.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between contour ridge, 45 degree ridge and 60 degree ridge plots.

Observations through two seasons

- Runoff water volume in Mbuka site was observed that ridge plots did not show significant difference due to the overflowing from one to other pits.
- Soil volume seems smaller than the figure usually used in Malawi. Reason of that could be the way of sample collection. Trapped water in the pits must be stirred evenly when sample was taken, but in general heavy particles in the runoff water dropped to bottom of the pit even in the process of stirring.
- Maize harvest did not show clear difference between contour ridge plots and degree ridge plots except in John Kwaja site. Reason was not clear but width of the plots, 2 meters might contribute for that result as working like box ridges.

4.2 Simplified 7 sites

2014/2015 season

It was first season to collect data from seven sites. The research operation was supervised by LRCO of each district except Balaka and collaboration with CCOs in charge of the village where research plots were constructed.

Table 3 Result of soil loss study in 7 sites

District	Village	Treatment	Soil volume			area m2	volume m3/ha			Maize		Rainfall mm
			Number	liters	volume		C. Rate	Volume	Diff	Weight	kg/ha	
Neno 20150528	Daudi	CA	32	25	800.0	244.6	1.3	25.2	16.9	66.0	kg 2,698	1,137
	medium slope	Contour ridge	35	25	875.0	263.9	1.3	25.5	16.5	58.0	kg 2,198	
		Control	58	25	1,450.0	265.5	1.3	42.0		67.0	kg 2,524	
Mwanza 20150605	Chikoleka	CA	13	25	325.0	244.0	1.3	10.2	10.5	61.0	kg 2,500	1,251
	Steep slope	Contour ridge	20.5	25	512.5	245.7	1.3	16.0	4.7	70.5	kg 2,869	
		Control	29	25	725.0	268.9	1.3	20.7		64.5	kg 2,399	
	Tchale	CA	36	25	900.0	233.8	1.3	29.6	42.7	93.5	kg 3,999	1,033
	medium slope	Contour ridge	45	25	1,125.0	233.5	1.3	37.1	35.2	101.0	kg 4,325	
		Control	84	25	2,100.0	223.4	1.3	72.3		103.0	kg 4,611	
	Kawiriza	CA	22	25	550.0	253.2	1.3	16.7	2.0	44.5	kg 1,758	1,037
	gentle slope	Contour ridge	19	25	475.0	232.0	1.3	15.7	2.9	63.5	kg 2,737	
		Control	24.25	25	606.3	249.4	1.3	18.7		64.5	kg 2,586	
Balaka 20150612	Chizinga E	CA	10.5	25	262.5	250.0	1.3	8.1	11.9	52.0	kg 2,080	1,100
	250m2	Contour ridge	26	25	650	250.0	1.3	20.0	0.0	72.0	kg 2,880	
	gentle slope	Control	26	25	650	250.0	1.3	20.0		101.0	kg 4,040	
	Chizinga W	CA	23	25	575	250.0	1.3	17.7	75.4	70.0	kg 2,800	1,133
	250m2	Contour ridge	40	25	1000	250.0	1.3	30.8	62.3	96.0	kg 3,840	
	medium slope	Control	121	25	3025	250.0	1.3	93.1		72.0	kg 2,880	
Blantyre 20150609	Chiwalu	CA	11	25	275	392.7	1.3	5.4	2.7	127.0	kg 3,234	1,066
	Medium slope	Contour ridge	19	25	475	500	1.3	7.3	0.8	65.0	kg 1,300	
	500m2	Control	21	25	525	500	1.3	8.1		63.0	kg 1,260	

Daudi village

Slope is categorized in medium slope.

Soil volume: There was clear difference between control plot and other two plots. Soil volume from control plots was 42 m3/ha while from contour ridge plots and CA plots recorded 25.5 m3/ha and 25.2 m3/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between control and other two plots.

Chikoleka village

Slope is categorized in steep slope

Soil volume: Although slope is steep, total soil volume measured is not very much. Soil volume from control plots was 20.7 m3/ha while from contour ridge plots and CA plots recorded 16.0 m3/ha and 102 m3/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between control and other two plots.

Tchale village

Slope is categorized in medium slope.

Soil volume: There was a lot of erosion in this site and clear difference between control plot and other two plots. Soil volume from control plots was 72.3 m³/ha while from contour ridge plots and CA plots recorded 37.1 m³/ha and 29.6 m³/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between control and other two plots. It was best harvest in this season among those 7 sites.

Kawiriza village

Slope is categorized in gentle slope.

Soil volume: Reflecting the category of slope, there was not clear difference between control plot and other two plots. Soil volume from control plots was 18.7 m³/ha while from contour ridge plots and CA plots recorded 15.7 m³/ha and 16.7 m³/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between control and other two plots.

Chizinga village east site

Slope is categorized in gentle slope.

Soil volume: Reflecting the category of slope, there was not clear difference between control plot and contour ridge plot but CA plot was smaller than. Soil volume from control plots was 20.0 m³/ha while from contour ridge plots and CA plots recorded 20.0 m³/ha and 8.1 m³/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between contour ridge plot and CA plot while control got more yield than other two.

Chizinga village west site

Slope is categorized in medium slope.

Soil volume: There was most larger volume of eroded soil in control plot in this site. Soil volume from control plots was 93.1 m³/ha while from contour ridge plots and CA plots recorded 30.8 m³/ha and 17.7 m³/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was no significant difference between three types of plot and contour ridge plot got more harvest than other two.

Chiwalo village

Slope is categorized in medium slope.

Soil volume: The site recorded smallest volume of eroded soil among 7 sites in this season. Soil volume from control plots was 8.1 m³/ha while from contour ridge plots and

CA plots recorded 7.3 m³/ha and 5.4 m³/ha respectively.

Maize yield: There was big difference between CA plot and other two plots.

4.3 Small scale gully control

Measurement was taken height and width of check dams and bottom slope of the gully. During the field survey in Neno, it was realized that considerable number of small scale check dams were constructed. Most of them were constructed by using stones because there are a lot of stones in the area.

Width and height were well matched with size and depth of gully itself. In total 61 check dams were measured in Chikunguru village.

In Blantyre, only five (5) samples were measured in Chenga village. The area was relatively flat with very gentle slope. Material for check dams was most of cases shrub and sticks because stone is hardly seen in the area. Villagers explained that they constructed many check dams but heavy rain and flood in January washed away most of check dams. After the rain LFs constructed some check dams during TOT for LFs but because of the scarcity of woody resources, constructed check dams by using shrubs and sticks were destroyed as the source of fuel wood.

Height of the check dams was in the range of 0.08 and 0.50 meter with average of 0.181 meter. Width of the check dams was in the range of 0.50 and 3.00 meter with average of 1.478 meter. Slope of the gully at the point of constructed check dams was in the range of 1 and 17 degree with average of 9.7 degree. (Refer Annex 6)

Number of constructed check dams was obtained from practice survey in each district. Result was compiled as the Working Paper No. 7. There were 21,362 check dams constructed in the 2014/2015 season.

5 Conclusion

5.1 Contour ridges

Effect of contour ridges were estimated by using observed volume of soil eroded from the 7 simplified research plots and estimated area of conserved garden from practice survey. In 2014/2015 season, total of 1,103 ha of maize garden was conserved with contour ridges, and applying 17.49 m³/ha of soil volume it was estimated that 19,287 m³ of soil was prevented from erosion.

Table 4 Volume of soil prevented from erosion

Comparison between control plot and contour ridge plot

Site	Difference m ³		Area conserved ha	Total volume m ³
Neno	16.5		303	5,000
Mwanza 1	4.7		108	508
Mwanza 2	35.2			3,802
Mwanza 3	2.9			313
Balaka 1	0		299	0
Balaka 2	62.3			18,628
Blantyre	0.8		393	314
Total	122.4		1,103	
Average	17.49		1,103	19,287

5.2 Small scale gully control

Effect of small scale gully control was estimated by using measured sample size of checks dams and number of check dams constructed from practice survey.

In 2014/2015 season, total of 21,362 check dams were constructed in all four districts, and applying 0.075 m³ of soil volume it was estimated that 1,602 m³ of soil was deposited in the check dams and prevented from erosion.

Table 5 Volume of soil trapped in check dams (Estimate)

District	Number of check	Volume of check dams m ³			Total volume m ³		
		Min	Average	Max	Min	Average	Max
Neno	6,376	0.002	0.075	0.519	13	478	3,309
Blantyre	2,276				5	171	1,181
Balaka	3,699				7	277	1,920
Mwanza	9,011				18	676	4,677
Total	21,362				43	1,602	11,087

5.3 Yield of Maize

In 2014/2015 season there was an excessive rainfall and outbreak of insect in farming garden, so the result of yield in 7 simplified study sites did not show significant differences between control and contour ridge plots.

6 Recommendations

6.1 Contour ridges

The positive effect of contour ridges moisture retention and against soil erosion is not the point of argument, it is well known subject and the soil loss study also proved that point.

- Scientific research is very difficult in collection of real sample of runoff water by the land owners in the villages. It could be implemented in research institutions in their closed and controlled research environment if such kind data is necessary for the government.
- Simplified research is more applicable in the extension project to collect basic data about the volume of soil eroded from farming garden.

6.2 Small scale gully control

- Gully control is like treatment for disease and sickness. It cost labor and times.
- Prevention of gully from growing has to be put emphasis in the villages by conserving upstream gardens with contour markers and realigned ridges.

6.3 Yield of maize

Unfortunately, effectiveness of contour ridges and realigned planting ridges for yield could not see in 2014/2015 planting season due to the excessive heavy rain and outbreak of insects in the farming gardens. However, from the experience of COVAMS and most practiced farmers in COVAMS II, there are strong supports for the relationship between contour ridges and good harvest.

It is recommended that study will continue one more season to collect data on changes of yield.

Reference

- 1 Action Research Plan, COVAMS II, 2013
- 2 Working paper No. 4 Analysis of COVAMS approach in its effectiveness 2014
- 3 Working paper No. 7 Result of practice survey in Gully control 2014

Annex

- 1 Rainfall data 2013/2014 from 3 sites
- 2 Rainfall data 2014/2015 from 2 sites
- 3 Rainfall data 2014/2015 from 7 sites
- 4 Soil volume calculation 3 sites 2013/2014
- 5 Soil volume calculation 2 sites 2014/2015
- 6 Sample survey result of small scale check dams

Annex 1 Rainfall data 2013/2014 from 3 sites

LUNZU							MACHINJILI							LIRANGWE						
Date	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April	Date	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April	Date	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April
1				2			1					4		1			19	3		
2			21	1			2			12				2		2	73	47		
3			17				3			22	19			3			3			
4	3			2		21	4				70			4			5	2		
5				3			5			1				5			21	3		
6		8		2			6							6			1			
7			41	83			7			22				7			10		10	
8			2	1	4		8				7			8					1	15
9				2	1	6	9			3	36	3	16	9			7	6		
10			13	37			10				19			10				36		3
11				2			11						2	11			7	3		
12	3		10	6			12			19	15			12			4	61		
13		16	26	3			13							13		10	25	30		
14		4	14	2			14		26	18				14		4		65		
15			2	1	7		15				40			15		15	1	17		
16		8	1	2			16		22		2			16	2		1	3	20	
17				5	3		17				2	4		17		3		3		
18		10			13		18		26			14		18					21	
19	10	4			10		19		49			7	2	19	10	14				
20	18	8					20		5					20						
21		2					21		3	4		3		21		3				
22		4		2			22				4			22	1		2	4		
23	5		2	6			23	7		1	3			23	1		3	10		
24			9	1			24							24					18	
25				2			25				10			25		7		10	10	
26		31					26		2	8				26			33		10	
27		4		4			27				9			27		75				
28			75	28			28	2	13	6				28	5	8	23		3	
29	7	2				27	29	32	1				20	29		3	61			18
30		1	2				30		2	20				30			21			
31		1	1				31			11				31			33			
Total	46	103	236	197	38	54	Total	41	149	147	236	35	40	Total	19	144	353	303	93	36
Acc	46	149	385	582	620	674		41	190	337	573	608	648		19	163	516	819	912	948

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Annex 2 Rainfall data 2014/2015 from 2 sites

Chakanika – Machinjiri								M'buka – Lirangwe							
Date	October	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April	Date	October	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April
1								1				3	3		
2					91			2				2	15		
3								3				25		10	2
4								4							
5								5				30	40		1
6								6				14			3
7		11			40			7				8			
8								8				30			
9				16				9		10		88			
10					24			10			11				
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12								12			3	100	20		
13					77			13			2	95			1
14				91				14			17	13		1	
15								15			4	5	21		2
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20			30				22	20			3	1			
21								21			2	3	5		20
22			10					22			21	9		2	
23			30	15			37	23			4		58		
24								24							
25					26			25					71	1	
26								26			3	10	54		
27								27			1	11		5	
28				40				28	1		5	100		2	
29			8					29			30	30			
30								30				20			
31			32			14		31			29	100		9	
Total	0	11	123	162	289	14	59	Total	3	14	149	805	357	43	40
Acc	0	11	134	296	585	599	658	Acc	3	17	166	971	1328	1371	1411

Annex 3 RAINFALL DATA 2014/2015 from 7 sites 1/3

DISTRICTS: MWANZA								DISTRICTS: MWANZA								DISTRICTS: MWANZ							
Chikoleka								Tchale								Kawiliza							
	2014			2015					2014			2015					2014			2015			
Date	October	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April	Date	October	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April	Date	October	Novemb	Decemb	January	Februar	March	April
1				27				1				35	9			1				13			
2				34	18			2		3		20	10			2		1		22	14	16	
3				30	10	30		3				30	20			3		1		30		37	
4				16	77			4				25		28		4				22	58		
5				13	16	5		5				12	70			5				39	9		
6				74	9			6				35				6				36	2	5	
7				86				7				50	5	5		7				55			
8				22				8				75		10		8				6			
9			4	5				9			10	15				9			9	5		6	
10			6					10			12	15	5			10			12	3		1	
11				14	12			11		4						11				31	4		
12			10	120				12			2	5				12				68			
13				5	9			13			2	70				13			8	8			
14				4				14					4			14			5		6		
15				5	28			15				9	5			15			1	7	8		
16					17			16				7	7			16					7		
17				54				17					10			17				19	14		
18		21	10	14				18		20	25	30				18		20	26	4			
19			13					19			7		9			19			8				
20								20					5			20					4		
21								21					5			21							
22			2	24	15			22			35	5				22			50	8	2	1	
23			18		18	23		23				4	2			23					16		
24					43			24					10			24				2	58		
25			24		88			25				5	50	5		25			22		63	5	
26					6			26			40	4	90			26			5	6	17		
27								27			1					27				4		8	
28			36					28								28			3	2			
29						24		29			8	7				29				1		9	
30			46	18				30			12					30			34	8			
31			26	22				31			25	5				31			52	6		5	
Total	0	21	195	587	366	82	0	Totl	0	27	179	463	316	48	0	Total	0	22	235	405	282	93	0
						G. Total	1251							G. Total	1033							G. Total	1037

RAINFALL DATA ON SOIL LOSS FOR 7 SITES 2014/2015 RAINFALL DATA ON SOIL LOSS FOR 7 SITES 2014/2015

Annex 3 Rainfall data 2014/2015 from 7 sites 2/3

DISTRICTS:

BALAK, Chizinga West

DISTRICTS:

BALAK, Chizinga North

	2014				2015					2014				2015			
Date	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	Date	October	November	December	January	February	March	April		
1				27				1				7					
2					27			2				4	30				
3				31	13			3				31	10				
4				29	22			4				20	20				
5				55	11			5				25	10				
6				40	12			6				50	11	3			
7				25		4		7				55					
8			1	100				8				100					
9				7				9				5					
10					2			10				30	2				
11				31	31			11				80	32				
12				80				12					13				
13				14	14			13				11	20				
14					21			14					50				
15					46			15									
16				7				16				5					
17			2	15				17			2	10					
18			26	29				18			28	26					
19			15					19			20						
20								20					6				
21						2		21						3			
22			27		61			22			28						
23					5			23					8				
24			1					24			1		62				
25			78	31	12			25			85	30	10				
26					14			26				10	12				
27				7				27				2					
28			1					28			1						
29			13	15		24		29			11	10		25			
30			72	10				30			60	8					
31			7	16				31			3	15					
Total	0	0	243	569	291	30	0	Total	0	0	239	534	296	31	0		

G. Tota 1133

G. Tota 1100

Annex 3 Rainfall data 2014/2015 from 7 sites 3/3

DISTRICTS:

NENO Daudi

	2014			2015			
Date	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
1				5.3			
2				21	41	5.8	
3		3.2		20	0.9	0.3	
4				24	44	10	
5				31	35	7.8	
6				55	5	3	
7				32		0.4	
8				37			
9				5.1			
10				36			
11			0.5	34			
12				78	25		
13				9.8	6		
14					7		
15			15.1	9.6	35		
16				5.8	8.1		
17				36			
18		0.9	37	25			
19		1.8	36		6		
20					0.1		
21							
22			3	0.2			
23					23	9.9	
24					15		
25			0.6		39	24	
26							
27							
28				44			
29			9.8	23		5.5	
30			18.5	33			
31			23.8	31		34	
Total	0	5.9	144.3	595.8	290.1	100.7	0
						G. Total	1137

DISTRICTS:

Blantyre Chizwalo

	2014			2015			
Date	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
1				4	7		
2					15		
3				9	28		
4				41	9		
5				29			
6		3		4			
7				7			
8				59	15		
9			55	9	4		
10			3	20			
11			8	145	40		
12				110			
13				130			
14			2		6		
15					25		
16							
17	3						
18				12			9
19						22	4
20			13				15
21					30		
22					1		
23					2		
24							
25				1	60		
26				9			
27				2			
28				6			
29			12	10		9	
30			19	19			
31			6	15			
Total	3	3	118	641	242	31	28
	G. Tota						1,066

Annex 4 Soil volume calculation 2013/2014

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mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil mg/l	total		water volume	soil 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2014/1/24				2014/1/25				2014/1/28				2014/2/7				2014/2/10				2014/2/12				2014/2/23				2014/2/28				2014/3/15				2014/3/18				2014/3/19				2014/4/4							
9				??				75				83				37				6				6				28				7				13				10				21							
soil	water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		water	soil		G. Total		area m3		Total										
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1683	27.2	40	1088	57.9	20	1159	356.3	20	7125	306.3	220	67375	127.1	720	91517	20.9	290	6061	25.4	40	1016	237.5	40	9500	14.1	180	2543	49.9	40	1995	28.5	20	571	87.7	60	5264	1,176,243	60	196,040,558	196											
8744	24.4	270	6593	64.3	950	61120	452.3	30	13596	512.3	870	445729	197.5	280	55290	22.1	540	11930	27.7	670	18542	290.3	320	92903	16.0	70	1123	68.7	680	46699	33.3	60	1995	97.0	740	71789	1,839,223	60	306,537,142	307											
25091	24.5	350	8591	60.7	810	49134	833.5	2360	1966986	1518.7	1010	1533931	381.5	1700	648615	21.1	120	2536	36.1	220	7950	353.8	700	247692	15.3	50	767	70.5	280	19754	33.2	210	6968	97.9	670	65574	6,383,258	60	1,063,876,390	1,064											
68585	18.3	520	9500	60.0	400	24000	488.9	240	117341	1028.5	440	452559	121.5	440	53473	12.7	30	381	33.9	750	25421	218.5	1480	323323	13.5	130	1750	53.8	60	3230	29.5	200	5895	87.5	300	26250	1,994,361	60	332,393,477	332											
104104			25772			135413			2105048			2499594			848895			20908						673419						6184			71678			15429	168877	11,393,085	mg	240	474,711,892	mg/ha	475	kg/ha							
6472	25.0	50	1250	57.5	70	4027	347.4	350	121579	263.2	20	5263	148.1	330	48859	20.7	40	829	28.1	10	281	541.2	710	384221	16.6	20	332	51.0	310	15813	30.0	780	23400	90.9	450	40909	1,544,938	60	257,489,745	257											
1675	25.1	20	501	60.7	360	21857	329.2	60	19754	249.2	60	14954	144.4	130	18769	21.1	510	10786	31.5	80	2520	525.6	660	348916	14.8	30	443	55.8	40	2231	34.0	510	17352	93.2	60	5591	1,067,768	60	177,961,313	178											
121336	23.0	60	1383	60.2	540	32516	379.1	40	15164	364.2	350	127463	158.2	140	22154	20.2	700	14152	34.8	1090	37913	268.7	30	8060	13.3	50	667	56.5	490	27677	31.3	340	10643	93.4	130	12143	1,231,174	60	205,195,667	205											
57655	21.9	270	5914	58.8	370	21765	330.2	60	19810	254.0	2100	533333	151.7	70	10618	20.0	100	2000	34.3	370	12686	257.1	140	36000	15.1	20	302	52.7	340	17920	30.2	20	605	350	36391	1,511,625	60	251,937,514	252												
187138			9048			80165			176306			681013			100400			27767						53399						1743			63641			52000			95033	5,355,505	mg	240	223,146,060	mg/ha	223	kg/ha					
36981	21.5	140	3013	55.3	460	25447	1956.1	1570	3071007	2419.6	910	2201870	990.1	680	673253	17.9	30	536	123.4	20	2468	1040.0	20	20800	13.6	160	2179	223.5	250	55882	70.5	610	43035	297.1	1020	303000	13,109,336	60	2,184,889,382	2,185											
38205	21.8	100	2175	54.4	1260	68532	1972.3	590	1163647	2478.2	980	2428669	960.8	30	28825	17.7	470	8307	113.9	570	64912	1063.6	900	957265	13.0	40	521	271.4	550	149286	68.8	630	43332	254.3	880	223771	15,877,971	60	2,646,328,476	2,646											
439624	21.4	450	9643	60.0	640	38049	2047.9	3120	6389336	2345.8	80	187642	798.7	1360	1086232	40.7	80	3256	71.4	170	12132	858.2	90	77236	12.0	20	239	271.6	670	182000	58.6	60	3515	235.8	550	129701	19,910,809	60	3,318,468,162	3,318											
207908	26.2	1170	30600	#VALUE!	1010		2201.8	22850	50310694	2462.1	620	1526503	863.1	500	431529	20.9	760	15868	112.3	40	4491	1575.3	360	567117	18.3	150	2750	267.8	530	141940	80.0	210	16800	389.6	30	11869	64,509,342	60	10,751,557,065	10,752											
723737			5433			122376			50234684			6344694			2318923			23968						49403						6290			590196			166693	669163	13,407,456	mg/ha	240	4,795,310,373	mg/ha	4,795	kg/ha							

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joil							
total	G. Total		area m3		Total		
33965	9.449,750		60	#####		1,575	
3671	#####		60	#####		2,036	
31864	7.383,540		60	#####		1,231	
69500	#####	mg	180	#####	mg/ha	1,614	kg/ha
33617	5.159,461		60	859.910,143		860	
13200	#####		60	#####		1,853	
21560	#####		60	#####		2,094	
68377	#####	mg	180	#####	mg/ha	1,603	kg/ha
8320	1.427,050		60	237.841,748		238	
17400	3.729,094		60	621.515,736		622	
39789	924,247		60	154,041,086		154	
65509	6.080,391	mg	180	337.799,524	mg/ha	338	kg/ha
#####	#####		60	#####		3.537	
58162	#####		60	#####		3,463	
77169	#####		60	#####		2,894	
#####	#####	mg	180	#####	mg/ha	2,028	kg/ha

26	2014/4/6				2014/4/29							
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soil	water		soil		water		soil					
total	volume	mg/l	total	volume	mg/l	total	G. Total		area m3	Total		
56088	268.6	30	8059	38.7	130	5029	4,160,874		60	693,479,040		693
850	41.9	200	8373	39.3	200	7862	5,550,415		60	925,069,130		925
1233	189.2	40	7568	22.4	30	673	3,728,000		60	621,333,287		621
58171			24000			13564	#####	mg	180	746,627,152	mg/ha	747 kg/ha
1117	48.4	260	12572	40.0	370	14800	3,254,354		60	542,392,314		542
6923	93.8	20	1876	38.5	390	15000	3,814,093		60	635,682,208		636
10380	251.8	240	60430	20.2	640	12944	3,719,789		60	619,964,770		620
18420			74878			42744	#####	mg	180	599,346,430	mg/ha	599 kg/ha
6806	71.9	310	22289	34.7	320	11111	5,599,202		60	933,200,356		933
1476	76.3	170	12970	54.0	110	5940	1,489,786		60	248,297,639		248
12000	37.4	20	747	38.4	80	3071	3,643,862		60	607,310,362		607
20281			36006			20122	#####	mg	180	596,269,452	mg/ha	596 kg/ha
5424	1239.9	940	#####	92.5	150	13881	7,077,047		60	#####		1,180
2809	888.6	210	186596	97.8	300	29345	6,310,554		60	#####		1,052
2043	244.6	40	9783	89.5	180	16101	5,078,471		60	846,411,812		846
12076			#####			50307	#####	mg	180	#####	mg/ha	1,028 kg/ha

Annex 5 Soil Volume calculation 2014/2015

liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg	liters	mg/l	mg
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Plot 1		60	6.4	10900	69574.5	4.3	400	1702.1	348.5	1900	662121.2	257.6	1000	257575.8	42.2	500	21098.9	1855.2	11300	20963195.0	31.2	4000	124835.2	1353.7	13000	17597450.0	438.6	9900	4342525.0	2563.2	100	256315.0	37.8	500	18901.1	348.5	200	69697.0	911.2	100	91115.0	498.1	1700														
Plot 8		60	38.2	1100	42044.4	36.0	500	18000.0	137.6	1000	137571.4	137.6	2100	288900.0	42.7	5900	251733.3	1525.7	6400	9764224.0	31.6	3000	94666.7	167.8	7200	1208084.2	341.7	15900	5432500.0	2268.9	200	453784.0	38.2	100	3822.2	170.4	3600	613542.9	931.7	300	279498.0	313.9	1600														
Plot 9		60	46.0	700	32200.0	37.2	200	7440.9	211.0	300	63287.7	238.4	800	190684.9	43.8	5500	240777.8	1901.7	1500	2852490.0	32.9	7000	230322.6	159.4	12700	2023893.6	375.3	17900	6718630.1	2194.3	200	438865.3	35.1	800	28043.0	320.5	400	128219.2	1256.5	700	879533.7	608.9	900														
Plot 3		45	49.3	200	9860.5	37.6	600	22536.6	138.9	900	125014.3	163.7	500	81863.6	40.0	400	16000.0	1429.0	1100	1571900.0	30.2	1400	42341.5	619.0	5500	3404500.0	377.8	17200	6497777.8	2116.3	400	846501.3	40.0	1100	44000.0	189.6	400	75854.5	679.0	1100	746900.0	409.0	1700														
Plot 5		45	51.1	400	20444.4	38.8	4200	163116.3	137.3	3700	507874.9	192.7	300	57814.3	41.2	1800	74222.2	1473.7	8400	12379360.0	31.9	3200	101953.5	578.8	43600	25237692.3	363.6	8600	3127272.7	1920.5	200	384105.3	41.2	600	24740.7	192.7	200	38542.9	578.8	300	173653.8	363.6	1300														
Plot 10		45	51.1	0	0.0	42.6	2000	85106.4	106.6	2400	255731.1	111.6	2000	223193.3	42.6	1800	76595.7	1397.1	5900	8242850.7	34.0	2000	67957.0	149.6	2100	314160.0	109.1	14900	1625226.9	2727.9	100	272790.0	42.6	100	4255.3	119.2	2800	333647.1	598.2	800	478543.2	184.0	2300														
Plot 4		0	2.8	900	2535.2	8.5	400	3380.3	114.2	1600	182690.9	160.2	21700	3476568.4	13.9	2300	31918.4	0.0	1200	0.0	31.1	1700	52888.9	206.8	14500	2998305.1	182.3	11400	2078400.0	1679.6	300	503888.0	42.1	600	25250.0	182.3	100	18231.6	160.2	300	48063.2	114.2	700														
Plot 7		0	26.7	800	21393.3	8.8	500	4386.0	99.1	2500	247872.3	132.7	3400	451043.3	40.2	3200	128703.3	732.6	1800	1318602.0	35.7	1800	64314.6	308.2	2700	832131.1	242.6	8700	2110819.7	1745.6	100	174560.7	38.0	100	3797.8	156.2	800	124953.8	242.6	1000	242623.0	182.0	1300														
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Plot 2	C	159.6	100	15963.6	24.0	600	14373.6	884.7	700	619313.3	825.0	500	412500.0	182.1	600	109236.4	2432.3	9200	22377160.0	77.9	1700	132458.3	974.3	8500	8281833.3	340.0	10600	3604000.0	2845.8	800	2276613.3	71.7	800	57333.3	944.5	600	566680.0	1302.9	0	0.0	373.3	3100															
Plot 6	C	88.6	1700	150666.7	34.1	2100	71571.4	808.5	100	80849.3	689.0	1600	1102464.6	147.2	900	132463.6	2272.0	1500	3407940.0	48.3	2100	101393.9	868.2	9600	8334976.0	261.3	5100	1332580.6	2840.6	600	1704364.0	62.4	1100	68693.9	1286.4	600	771816.0	1465.6	300	439668.0	293.5	200															
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28933.3	25.1	200	5022.2	15.7	800	12595.7	610.7	300	183200.0	1995.9	700	1397148.7	43.1	200	8622.2	34.2	300	10266.7	45.1	200	9022.2	423.8	600	254309.4	602.7	500	301358.5	13.6	100	1361.7	31.8	1200	38133.3	11.5	300	3446.8	75.8	200	15160.5	3391231.4					565							
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Gully
small scale gully
Survey on size

No.	Check			Gully	Cross sec	Volume
	Material	Height m	Width m	Slant degr	m2	m3
1	Stone	0.5	1.75	8	0.438	0.386
2	Stone	0.2	1	8	0.100	0.024
3	Stone	0.2	0.5	8	0.050	0.006
4	Stone	0.2	3	8	0.300	0.213
5	Stone	0.2	1.55	8	0.155	0.057
6	W shrub	0.15	1.75	8	0.131	0.041
7	Stone	0.2	0.5	4	0.050	0.012
8	Stone	0.3	0.8	4	0.120	0.104
9	Stone	0.2	0.8	4	0.080	0.031
10	W shrub	0.3	1.2	4	0.180	0.154
11	Stone	0.3	2.2	4	0.330	0.519
12	W shrub	0.3	1.5	4	0.225	0.241
13	Stone	0.3	1.5	4	0.225	0.241
14	Stone	0.2	1.5	14	0.150	0.030
15	Stone	0.15	1	1	0.075	0.107
16	Stone	0.1	1	1	0.050	0.048
17	Stone	0.2	1.2	1	0.120	0.100
18	Stone	0.15	1.5	9	0.113	0.027
19	Stone	0.4	1.5	9	0.300	0.189
20	Stone	0.1	2	9	0.100	0.021
21	Stone	0.1	1.8	9	0.090	0.017
22	W shrub	0.3	1.6	4	0.240	0.275
23	W shrub	0.3	1.6	4	0.240	0.275
24	W shrub	0.1	2	4	0.100	0.048
25	Stone	0.35	1.5	11	0.263	0.118
26	Stone	0.15	1.6	11	0.120	0.025
27	Stone	0.15	1.3	11	0.098	0.016
28	Stone	0.15	1.1	11	0.083	0.012
29	Stone	0.2	1.4	5	0.140	0.075
30	Stone	0.15	1.5	5	0.113	0.048
31	Stone	0.15	1	5	0.075	0.021
32	Stone	0.15	1.5	5	0.113	0.048
33	Stone	0.2	1.7	5	0.170	0.110
34	Stone	0.2	2	14	0.200	0.053
35	Stone	0.1	1.5	14	0.075	0.008
36	Stone	0.2	1.5	16	0.150	0.026
37	W shrub	0.15	1.3	16	0.098	0.011
38	Stone	0.15	1.3	16	0.098	0.011
39	Stone	0.1	2	12	0.100	0.016
40	Stone	0.1	2	12	0.100	0.016
41	Stone	0.15	2	12	0.150	0.035
42	Stone	0.1	1	12	0.050	0.004
43	Stone	0.1	1	14	0.050	0.003
44	Stone	0.1	0.7	14	0.035	0.002
45	Stone	0.1	1	14	0.050	0.003
46	Stone	0.1	1	14	0.050	0.003
47	Stone	0.1	1.8	14	0.090	0.011
48	Stone	0.1	1.1	14	0.055	0.004
49	Stone	0.15	1.7	14	0.128	0.022
50	Stone	0.1	1.6	14	0.080	0.009
51	Stone	0.1	1	14	0.050	0.003
52	Stone	0.1	1	14	0.050	0.003

53	Stone	0.1	1	14	0.050	0.003
54	Stone	0.15	1	14	0.075	0.008
55	Stone	0.1	1.3	14	0.065	0.006
56	Stone	0.35	2	17	0.350	0.134
57	Stone	0.2	2	17	0.200	0.044
58	Stone	0.2	2.2	17	0.220	0.053
59	Stone	0.2	2	17	0.200	0.044
60	Stone	0.2	1.8	17	0.180	0.035
61	Stone	0.2	1.6	17	0.160	0.028
62	brush wood	0.18	2	3	0.180	0.206
63	brush wood	0.3	2	7	0.300	0.244
64	brush wood	0.08	1.5	6	0.060	0.011
65	brush wood	0.13	1.8	2	0.117	0.131
66	brush wood	0.14	1.5	2	0.105	0.105
	Total	11.93	97.55	638	9.05325	4.934093
	Average	0.181	1.478	9.7	0.137	0.075
	Max	0.500	3.000	17	0.438	0.519
	Min	0.080	0.500	1	0.035	0.002

Project Design Matrix (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

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Implementation Agency: Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines,
 Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza, and Neno Districts
Target group: Management staff and extension staff of the four districts
Period of Project: Five (5) years. April 2014 - March 2018
Project Site: Four (4) districts in Middle Shire (Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza, Neno)


Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Overall Goal Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) are widely implemented in target districts.	1. CMFA spread to other TAs in target districts 2. CMFA using COVAMS approach utilized by other donors' projects operated in target districts	1. District annual work plans of the target districts 2. Performance reports of the target districts			
Project Purpose CMFA is institutionalized in target districts.	1. CMFA included in the District Strategic Development Plan of each target districts 2. The plan of CMFAs using COVAMS approach carried out in each target district.	1. Project reports 2. District Strategic Development Plan	- Each target district allocates budget for the indicators expansion of the implementation of CMFAs - District Strategic Development Plan is developed and updated in each target district.		
Outputs 1. Plans of CMFA using COVAMS approach are integrated in to District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of target districts. 2. Capacity of management and extension staff in target districts is improved in operation of COVAMS approach. 3. Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified through research. 4. Ownership of the COVAMS approach is enhanced among leaders of all levels.	1.1 The plan of CMFA using COVAMS approach included in District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of each target district. 1.2 District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan approved by full council of target districts <u>Capacity improvement</u> Number of training subjects described in the training Plan Number of training conducted, at least one time each subject Number of trained DMT members Number of trained TST members Number of trained CCOs <u>Implementation of COVAMS approach</u> Annual working plan prepared in each Number of village covered by COVAMS approach Number of trained LFs Number of trained SLFs Detail of indicators is described in the attached table <u>Impact as the result of capacity improvement and implementation of COVAMS approach</u> Refer indicators for the output 3 bellow <u>Extension method</u> -Compiled reports which explain following items - Number of training conducted in the villages by LFs - Number of HHs trained by LFs and the % to the total number of HHs in each pilot TA - Number of HHs adopted COVAMS techniques and the % to the total number of HHs of pilot TA -Cost of COVAMS approach operation - Comparison between COVAMS LFs and other LFs Detail of indicators is described in the attached table. Extension subject - Compiled reports which explain following items - Soil volume protected from erosion from gardens and small scale gully - Yield increased after adopting contour - Number of organizations received explanation on COVAMS approach (related departments=8, donor projects =3, and others) - Number of leaders received explanation on COVAMS approach (Number of organizations x 2= 22 and others) - Number of sharing meeting and seminars (4 times x 2years =8) - Evaluation reports after the activities	1.1 District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of four districts 1.2.1 Official document related to the CMFA in the districts 1.2.2 Project reports <u>Capacity improvement</u> Needs Assessment Report Training plan Training materials Reports on training <u>Implementation of COVAMS approach</u> annual working plans of four target Monthly reports from the districts Monitoring reports Households list Other records and documents Project report Research plans Research reports Project Reports Monitoring report from four target districts - Plan for disseminating information - Submitted reports - Official document - Minutes of Shire River Basin Coordinating Meeting - Other Project reports	- Consolidated District Annual Work Plan is compiled and updated in each target District - Administrative and financial institutional changes in central ministries and local administration do not affect the Project activities	Achievements are provided with the detailed descriptions of the	

Activities	Inputs		Important Assumptions
Activities for Output 1: Plans of CMFA using COVAMS approach are integrated in to District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of target districts. 1-1. Orient stakeholders in the districts on the COVAMS II project and COVAMS approach 1-2. Set up district management team under DESC 1-3. Facilitate group village headmen in target districts to include CMFA using COVAMS approach in the village - Team of advisors headed by Chief Advisor 1-4. Implement training sessions for the district staff to strengthen their abilities on formulating activity implementing plan and annual input plan towards budget allocation 1-5. Integrate CMFA plan into district implementation plan and/or annual implementation plan (DIP/AIP), based on VAPs 1-6. Obtain approval from full council on the DIP/AIP	The Japanese Side	The Malaian Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Area Stakeholders Panels and village heads of pilot TAs agree with the purpose of the Project and participate in activities.- Socio-economic and political conditions do not affect adversely to activities of the Project (shortage of petrol, etc.)- Climate conditions do not change drastically. - Trained management staff and extension staff continue their services in their respective positions.
	(1) Advisors - Team of advisors headed by Chief Advisor - Technical areas include Soil Erosion Control, Rural Development, Research, Training and Extention, Publicity, Monitoring and Evaluation	(1) Human resource for the operation of the Project - Project Director, Regional Project Coordinator, Regional Management Team members, Project Managers in 4 target districts, District Management Team members, Conservation Coordinating Officers, Administrative personnel, Various Supporting Staff and	
	(2) Equipment - Vehicles, Motorcycles, Training Equipment and other necessary	(2) Office working environment - Suitable office space with necessary equipment	
	(3) Training courses for counterpart personnel in Japan	(3) Funds - Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project such as allowance for GOM project staff, office management costs,	
Activities for Output 2: Plans of CMFA using COVAMS approach are integrated in to District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of target districts. 2-1. Assess capacity of district staff in operation of COVAMS approach through observation and assessment survey. 2-2. Prepare capacity improvement plans on COVAMS approach and project management 2-3. Improve capacity of district staff by On the Job Training through implementation of COVAMS approach 2-3-1. Introduce COVAMS approach to district teams 2-3-2. Prepare annual working plan 2-3-3. Implement COVAMS approach according to the annual working plan 2-3-4. Monitor progress of implementation of COVAMS approach 2-3-5. Review annual activities 2-4. Improve capacity of district staff by training 2-5. Monitor degree of capacity improvement of district staff 2-6. Evaluate capacity improvement plan and improve it if necessary	(4) Funds - A part of operation cost		<div>Pre-conditions</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Collaborating institutions (LRCD, DAES, DCD) are fully supportive.- DCs of target districts are fully supportive. <div>Issues and countermeasures</div>
Activities for Output 3: Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified through research. 3-1. Conduct research on extension method of COVAMS approach 3-1-1. Design research 3-1-2. Conduct research survey and data collection 3-1-3. Compile result of survey and data collection as a report 3-2. Conduct research on extension subjects of COVAMS approach 3-2-1. Design research 3-2-2. Conduct research according to the design 3-2-3. Compile result of the research as a report			<div>Issues and countermeasures</div>
Activities for Output 4: Ownership of the COVAMS approach is enhanced among leaders of all levels. 4-1. Plan activities to promote understanding of the leaders and organizations on 4-1-1. List up target groups of the promotion 4-1-2. Compile action plan to promote understanding of the target groups 4-1-3. Prepare necessary explanation materials for promotion 4-2. Implement planned activities to promote understanding of the leaders and organizations on the CMFA using COVAMS approach 4-3. Evaluate promotion results and modify/ improve plan if necessary			<div>Issues and countermeasures</div>

Project title: Project for Promoting Catchment Management Activities in Middle Shire (COVAMS II)
Implementation Agency: Department of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mines, Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza, and Neno Districts
Target group: Management staff and extension staff of the four districts
Period of Project: Five (5) years. April 2014 - March 2018
Project Site: Four (4) districts in Middle Shire (Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza, Neno)

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Overall Goal Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) using COVAMS approach is widely implemented in the target districts.	1. CMFA using COVAMS approach implemented in at least two (2) TAs other than 2. CMFA using COVAMS approach adopted by at least one (1) project funded by other donors in the target districts	1. Budget document in the four districts 2. Project reports prepared by other donors, interview to residents			
Project Purpose CMFA is institutionalized in the target districts.	1. The annual plan and the budget request for CMFA using the COVAMS approach are prepared and submitted by the district 2. The guidelines for the COVAMS approach is acknowledged by ministries concerned	1. Project reports prepared by ministries, district departments, donors and the private sector), interview to the parties concerned 2. The guidelines acknowledged	The Government of Malawi maintains current level of fiscal austerity		
Outputs					
1. Promotion for the target districts and ministries concerned to ensure institutionalization and budget for COVAMS carried out	1-1. The materials for providing information meeting the needs of at least three (3) organizations, including the guidelines for the COVAMS approach, are prepared; and visits and explanation carried out using the materials. 1-2. A seminar for information sharing/ PR inviting the private sector with a stake in catchment management convened at least two (2) times 1-3. A field visit inviting participants from donor/ media organized at least two (2) times	1-1-1. List of the organizations visited and explained 1-1-2. Monitoring sheet 1-1-3. Materials prepared 1-1-4. The guidelines 1-2. List of the private sector, agenda of the seminars, minutes of the seminars 1-3. Monitoring Sheet			
2. Capacity for implementing the COVAMS approach by officers of the target districts is improved	<u>Capacity improvement</u> 2-1. Training covering ten (10) designated subjects carried out at least once 2-2. At least 80% of participants fulfilled the requirements in the post-training evaluation of the training on CMFA using the COVAMS approach 2-3. The COVAMS approach adopted by at least 80% of the villages (more than 296 villages out of 370 villages) within the pilot TAs 2-4. At least 80% of the LFs (2,910 LFs out of 3,637) elected by fellow farmers acknowledged 2-5. At least 80% of the SLFs (326 SLFs out of 407) selected acknowledged	<u>Capacity improvement</u> 2-1-1. Training report 2-1-2 Annual Activity Plan 2-2-1. Training report 2-2-2. Evaluation result 2-3-1 Report prepared by the districts 2-3-2. Monitoring Sheet 2-4-1. Report prepared by the district department 2-4-2. Monitoring Sheet 2-5-1. Report prepared by the district departments 2-5-2. Monitoring Sheet			
3. Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified	3-1. At least 80% of the LFs elected by the fellow farmers carried out minimum of one (1) training each subject on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach	3-1. Questionnaire Survey Report			

4. The commitment of the COVAMS approach among leaders of all levels is enhanced among	3-2. At lease 80% of the households in the villages covered by the project participated the training on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach carried out by LFs 3-3. At least 50% of the households in the villages covered by the project adopt the CMFA of the respective areas 3-4. The effectiveness of the contour ridge cultivation as one of the CMFA technique using COVMAS approach identified 3-5. The effectiveness of gully prevention technique as one of CMFA technique of COVAMS approach identified	3-2. Questionnaire Survey Report 3-3. Household Questionnaire Survey Report 3-4-1. Report on soil erosion prevention by the long-term experts 3-4-2. Literature Study Report 3-4-3. Working Paper prepared by the long-term experts 3-5. Working Paper prepared by the long-term experts		
	4-1. A regular meeting by the CCO -TST is convened regularly by the initiatives of the district forestry departments 4-2 The PM meeting of the target districts convened by the initiatives of the district forestry departments and other district departments concerned 4-3. The field visit inviting minimum of 8 officers of the ministries and districts organized at leased once by the district departments 4-4. The visit and explanation to the organizations concerned listed in the item 1.1 carried out at least three (3) times by the initiatives of officers of ministry and the distract departments	4-1 Monthly Activity Plan 4-2 Minute of Meeting 4-3 Monitoring Sheet 4-4 The list of the organizations visited and explained		
Activities		Inputs		Important Assumptions
Activities for Output 1: Promotion for the target districts and ministries concerned to ensure institutionalization and budget for COVAMS carried out 1-1 List the organizations promoting CMFA using COVAMS approach 1-2 Prepare a material to explain CMFA using COMVAM approach to the organizations concerned 1-3. Make the result of the verification identified by the output 3 into the materials for explanation 1-4. List the names of the private sector with a stake in the catchment management 1-5. Convene a seminar for information sharing inviting the private sector with stake in catchment management 1-6. Organize a field visit inviting personnel of donor and media 1-7. Revise the guidelines of the COVAMS approach and follow procedures for an official approvals of the ministries concerned Activities for Output 2: Capacity for implementing COVAMS approach by officers of the target districts is improved 2-1. Evaluate the ability of implementing the COVAMS approach by the officers of the district departments concerned, 2-2. Plan training on COVAMS approach and project management, 2-3. Carry out training on COVAMS approach and project management	The Japanese Side (1) Advisors - Team of advisors headed by Chief Advisor" - Technical areas include Soil Erosion Control, Rural Development, Research, Training and Extension, Publicity, Monitoring and Evaluation (2) Equipment - Vehicles, Motorcycles, Training Equipment and other necessary equipment" (3) Training courses for counterpart personnel in Japan (4) Funds - A part of operation cost"		The Malawian Side (1) Human resource for the operation of the Project - Project Director, Regional Project Coordinator, Regional Management Team members, Project Managers in 4 target (2) Office working environment - Suitable office space with necessary equipment" (3) Funds - Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project such as allowance for GOM project staff, office management costs,	- Area Stakeholders Panels and village heads of pilot TAs agree with the purpose of the Project and participate in activities. - Socio-economic and political conditions do not affect adversely to activities of the Project (shortage of petrol, etc.) - Climate conditions do not change drastically. - Trained Management staff and Extension staff continue their services in their respective positions.

<p>Activities for Output 1: Promotion for the target districts and ministries concerned to ensure institutionalization and budget for COVAMS carried out</p> <p>2-4. Support capacity development through OJT by the officers of the district departments concerned, 2-4-1. Explain selected topics on the COVAMS approach to the officers of the district departments concerned, 2-4-2. Assist the officers of the district departments concerned preparing an annual activity plan, 2-4-3. Assist the officers of the district departments concerned carrying out activities based on the plan, 2-4-4. Assist the officers of the district departments concerned monitoring the activities, 2-4-5. Assist the officers of the district departments concerned reviewing the annual activities. 2-5. Plan the evaluating the officers of the district departments concerned on understanding of CMFA using COVAMS. 2.6. Evaluate the officers of the district departments concerned on understanding of CMFA using COVAMS.</p> <p>Activities for Output 3: Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified</p> <p>3-1. At least 80% of the LFs elected by the fellow farmers carried out minimum of one (1) training each subject on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach 3-2. At lease 80% of the households in the villages covered by the project participated the training on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach carried out by LFs 3-3. At least 50% of the households in the villages covered by the project adopt the CMFA of the respective areas 3-4. The effectiveness of the contour ridge cultivation as one of the CMFA technique using COVMAS approach identified 3-5. The effectiveness of gully prevention technique as one of CMFA technique of COVAMS approach identified</p> <p>Activities for Output 4: Ownership of the COVAMS approach is enhanced among leaders of all levels.</p> <p>4-1. A regular meeting by the CCO -TST is convened regularly by the initiatives of the district forestry departments 4-2 The PM meeting of the target districts convened by the initiatives of the district forestry departments and other district departments concerned 4-3. The field visit inviting minimum of 8 officers of the ministries and districts organized at leased once by the district departments 4-4. The visit and explanation to the organizations concerned listed in the item 1.1 carried out at least three (3) times by the initiatives of officers of ministry and the distract departments</p>	<p>The Japanese Side</p>	<p>The Malawian Side</p>	<p>- Area Stakeholders Panels and village heads of pilot TAs agree with the purpose of the Project and participate in activities.</p>
			<p>Pre-conditions</p>
			<p>- Collaborating institutions (LRCD, DAES, DCD) are fully supportive.</p> <p></p>
			<p>Issues and countermeasures</p>

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Items	Original	Ammendment	Explanation
Overall Goal	Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) are widely implemented in target districts.	Catchment management through farmers' activities (CMFA) using COVAMS approach is widely implemented in the target districts.	The linkage of COVAMS experience shall be clarified. An "article" was missing in the original PDM. The CMFA derived from COVAMS is extended (initially) the four districts of Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza and Neno
Indicators	1. CMFA spread to other TAs in target districts	1. CMFA using COVAMS approach is implemented in at least two (2) TAs other than the target districts	-The meaning of "Spread" clarified. - Clarify which TA - Numeric target specified to help the ex-post evaluation
	2. CMFA using COVAMS approach utilized by other donors' projects operated in target districts	2. CMFA using COVAMS is approach adopted by at least one (1) project funded by other donors in the target districts	- Numeric target specified to help the ex-post evaluation - Considering the extending the capacity into other donor funded projects in the target area
Items	Original	Ammendment	Explanation
Project Purpose	CMFA is institutionalized in target districts.	CMFA is institutionalized in the target districts.	No change
Indicators	1. CMFA included in the District Strategic Development Plan of each target districts	1. The annual plan and the budget request for CMFA using the COVAMS approach are prepared and implemented by the district departments	-"District Strategic Development Plan" is no longer functioning as originally thought. - Numeric target specified to help the ex-post evaluation
	2. The plan of CMFAs using COVAMS approach carried out in each target district.	2. The guidelines for the COVAMS approach is acknowledged by ministries concerned	- By the end of the project, the COVAMS approach shall be officially acknowledged by the GOM - Considering the extending the capacity into other donor funded projects in the target area

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Output 1			
	1. Plans of CMFA using COVAMS approach are integrated in to District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of target districts.	1. Promotion for the target districts and ministries concerned to ensure institutionalization and budget for COVAMS is carried out	- Distict plans not properly highlighting the COVMSMS approach because of its format subscribed by the central government. - Promotion activities toward getting various fundings need to be highlighted instead of the listing of the plan. - Information sharing, material development, seminar and field visit organized for promotion
Indicators			
	1.1 The plan of CMFA using COVAMS approach included in District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan of each target district.	1-1. The materials for providing information meeting the needs of at least three (3) organizations, including the guidelines for the COVAMS approach, are prepared	- Numeric target specified - Materials (guidelines, explanation, etc.) prepared to promote the COVAMS approach
	1.2 District Implementation Plan/Annual Investment Plan approved by full council of target districts	1-2. A seminar for information sharing/ PR inviting the private sector with a stake in catchment management is convened at least two (2) times	- Seminars for specific target
		1-3. A field visit inviting participants from donor/ media is organized at least two (2) times	
Items	Original	Ammendment	Explanation
Output 2			
	2. Capacity of management and extension staff in target districts is improved in operation of COVAMS approach.	2. Capacity for implementing the COVAMS approach by officers of the target districts is improved	- No change in meaning - Article "the" added to clarify the target as the four disticts of Blantyre, Balaka, Mwanza and Neno
Indicators			
	Capacity Improvement (listed as bellow and indicated in the separate table)	2-1. Training covering ten (10) designated subjects* is carried out at least once	- Numeric target specified
	Capacity improvement Number of training subjects described in the training Plan Number of training conducted, at least one time each subject Number of trained DMT members Number of trained TST members Number of trained CCOs Implementation of COVAMS approach Annual working plan prepared in each district	2-2. At least 80% of participants fulfill the requirements in the post-training evaluation of the training on CMFA using the COVAMS approach	- Numeric target specified - The revised indicators are real "output" while the original was input, etc.

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	Number of village covered by COVAMS approach Number of trained LFs Number of trained SLFs Detail of indicators is described in the attached table Impact as the result of capacity improvement		
		2-3. The COVAMS approach is adopted by at least 80% of the villages (more than 296 villages out of 370 villages) within the pilot TAs	- Numeric target specified - The revised indicators are real "output" while the original was input, etc.
		2-4. At least 80% of the LFs (2,910 LFs out of 3,637) elected by fellow farmers are acknowledged	- Numeric target specified - The revised indicators are real "output" while the original was input, etc.
		2-5. At least 80% of the selected SLFs (326 SLFs out of 407) are acknowledged	- Numeric target specified - The revised indicators are real "output" while the original was input, etc.

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Output 3	3. Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified through research.	3. Effectiveness of the COVAMS approach, both extension method and extension subjects, is verified	- There is no significant change between the two - "through research" was deleted because it was indicated a field research and survey. Whereas the revised ones include literature study, etc.
Indicators	Extention method -Compiled reports which explain following items - Number of training conducted in the villages by LFs	3-1. At least 80% of the LFs elected by the fellow farmers carry out minimum of one (1) training each subject on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach**	
	- Number of HHs trained by LFs and the % to the total number of HHs in each pilot TA - Number of HHs adopted COVAMS techniques and the % to the total number of HHs of pilot TA	3-2. At least 80% of the households in the villages covered by the project participate the training on the CMFA using the COVAMS approach carried out by LFs	
	-Cost of COVAMS approach operation - Comparison between COVAMS LFs and other LFs	3-3. At least 50% of the households in the villages covered by the project adopt the CMFA of the respective areas	
	Detail of indicators is described in the attached table.	3-4. The effectiveness of the contour ridge cultivation as one of the CMFA technique using COVAMS approach is identified	- Soil conservation analysis through the field research needs long-term hydrologic study - Contour ridge cultivation was studied by the long-term experts
	Extension subject - Compiled reports which explain following items - Soil volume protected from erosion from gardens and small scale gully - Yield increased after adopting contour ridge	3-5. The effectiveness of gully prevention technique as one of CMFA technique of COVAMS approach is identified	- Stand growth rate of the planted tree does not relate to effectiveness of the extension subject in the COVAMS approach

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Output 4	4. Ownership of the COVAMS approach is enhanced among leaders of all levels.	4. The commitment of the COVAMS approach among leaders of all levels is enhanced	- "Ownership" was changed to "Commitment"
Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of organizations received explanation on COVAMS approach (related departments=8, donor projects =3, and others) - Number of leaders received explanation on COVAMS approach (Number of organizations x 2= 22 and others) - Number of sharing meeting and seminars (4 times x 2years =8) - Evaluation reports after the activities 	<p>4-1. A monthly meeting by the CCO4 -TST5 is convened regularly by the initiatives of the district forestry departments</p> <p>4-2. A monthly PM meeting of the target districts is convened regularly by the initiatives of the district forestry departments and other district departments concerned</p> <p>4-3. The field visit inviting minimum of 8 officers of the ministries and districts is organized at least once by the district departments</p> <p>4-4. The visit and explanation to the organizations concerned is carried out at least three (3) times by the initiatives of officers of ministry and the distract departments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Numeric target clarified - The functions of regular meetings among all level of stakeholder highlighted - Project sees the information flow shall be established regularly as we have organized <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Numeric target clarified - The functions of regular meetings among all level of stakeholder highlighted - Project sees the information flow shall be established regularly as we have organized <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field visits with local intiatives important for full commitment <p>Ditto</p>