

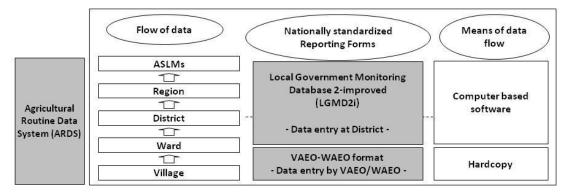
Agricultural Routine Data System (ARDS)



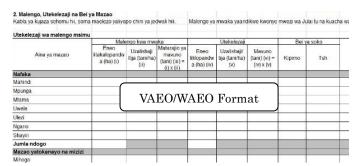
- District's convenient tool for data management, analyses, report writing and planning -

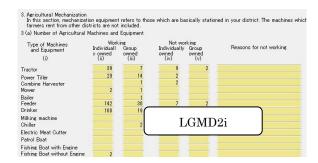
1. What is ARDS?

- Developed by ASDP M&E WG in consultation with many regions/districts in the country.
- Nationally standardized reporting forms: 1) Village/ward, 2) District, Regions, National
- Standardized data flows from districts to regions and then to ASLMs



- PMO-RALG issued a letter to instruct each LGA to operate ARDS.
- ASDP/DADP also requires that each LGA use ARDS and report the data through LGMD2i.





2. Information obtained through ARDS

VAEO/WAEO Monthly Report	VAEO/WAEO Quarterly Report	VAEO/WAEO Annual Report			
1. Introduction (weather condition,	Village Food Situation	1. Introduction (Population and number of households)			
activity summary)	2. Farmers Groups/ SACCOs	2. Irrigation (water source, area, IO members, etc.)			
2. Crop: Planted Area, Yield,	3. Extension Services	3. Contract Farming			
Production and Prices	4. Biological Control Measures	4. Agricultural, Livestock and Fishery Machines			
3. Plant Health Services	5. Irrigation (planted area,	5. Extension Services (FFS)			
4. Livestock Slaughtered	production, etc.)	6. Input Use			
5. Meat Inspection	6. Soil Erosion	7. Livestock Population			
6. Livestock Products	7. Area Cultivated and Means of	8. Livestock Infrastructure			
7. Livestock Health	Cultivation	9. Rangeland			
8. Achievements and Challenges		10. Pasture			
9. Visitors		11. Area covered by TV, Radio and Telecommunication			

3. Benefits of ARDS

VAEO/WAEO

• It is easy to prepare monthly (quarterly and annual) report as the forms are standardized.

District

- It is the source of a wide variety of agricultural data.
- It is easy to find agricultural data you look for (just look into LGMD2i).
- It is easy to compute district level estimates.
- It is easy to make agricultural reports and prepare for planning.
- It is possible to compare with other districts in the same or different region(s).
- It is easy to respond to questionnaires sent by regions and national ministries / agencies.

4. Budget for ARDS Operation

<u>Minimum Operation</u>: Below is an example of budget with minimum items for basic ARDS operation (Quantity/ Number and Unit prices are assumptions). This amount should be budgeted every year.

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Printing and Photocopying	Monthly	15	8	page	100	2	12	288,000
	Quarterly	15	4	page	100	2	4	48,000
	Annual	15	11	page	100	2	1	33,000
Fuel for WAEO	Monthly	15	3	Liter / month	2,200		12	1,188,000
Bicycle maintenance for VAEO	Monthly	60	1	Time / month	2,000		12	1,440,000
Stationary for VAEO/WAEO	Monthly	75	1	Time / month	500		12	450,000
Submission of complete format (by bus, etc.)	Monthly	15	1	Time / month	500		12	90,000
Monitoring by M&E, Statistical	Monthly	1	4	Days / month	45,000		12	2,160,000
Officers	Fuel	1	10	Liter / month	2,200		12	264,000
LGMD2i synchronization	Monthly	1	1	Time / month	1000		12	12,000
Total								5,973,000
Assumption: There are 15 WAEO and 60 VAEO.								

<u>For better/improved ARDS operation</u>: Prepare additional budget for 1) photocopying blank forms for VAEO, 2) training of new VAEO/WAEO, 3) facilitating the visit of regional IT specialist in case of computer malfunctioning, 4) annual workshop with all VAEO/WAEO for data quality improvement, and 5) training of LGA officers on ARDS.

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