



**STRENGTHENING
PARTICIPATORY PLANNING AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CYCLE FOR
GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE
(O&OD PROJECT)**

Back Ground of the Project

Decentralization by Devolution (D by D) has been a challenge of the Government of Tanzania (GOT) over decades. The GOT has made significant efforts particularly since late 90's to empower the Local Government Authorities (LGAs) through promotion of fiscal decentralization, legal harmonization, and human resources autonomy. Local Government Reform Programme (LGRP: 2000-2008) was among such efforts to accelerate D by D. The second phase of the Programme currently in operation, called LGRP II (2008-2013), is a cornerstone of bolstering LGAs' capacities to be a strategic leader and coordinator of local socio-economic development who ensures accountable and transparent services to people for the betterment of their livelihood. In line with the LGRP, the Opportunities and Obstacles to Development (O&OD) process was initiated in 2002 to facilitate com-

munity people to plan, implement, and own their community plans with the aim of shifting planning process from top-down to bottom-up. Since its initiation, GOT has rolled out the O&OD process in more than 90% of LGAs. The O&OD is presently embedded within the LGRP II framework and recognized as a core process to promote citizens' participation in local development and accountable and transparent local governance. It is in this context that the PMO-RALG decided to commence a new project "Strengthening Participatory Planning and Community Development Cycle For Good Local Governance" in order to further develop potential of the O&OD. The project is supported by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) based on the official agreement concluded in July 2009 between PMO-RALG and JICA.

Outline of the Project

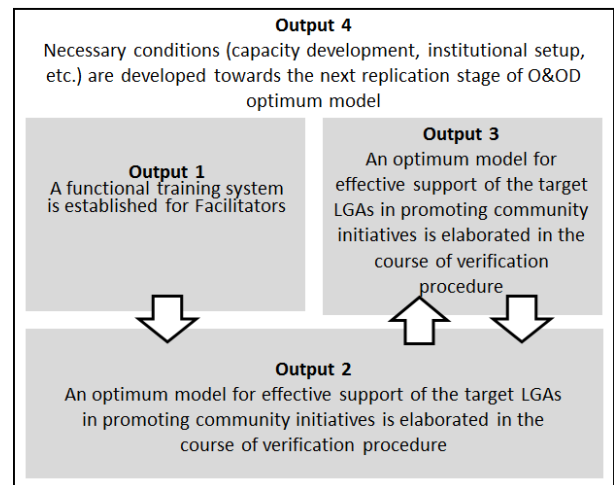
Overall Objective

Through verifying O&OD implementation model at identified regions, Opportunities and Obstacles to Development (O&OD) process is improved to function as an effective methodology towards eventual achievement of real local autonomy/ local good governance through participatory local social development process

Project Purpose

Optimum Implementation Models for effective functioning of O&OD process at community/ward/district level are developed through a course of verification procedure

Synergic Relation among Four Outputs



Duration

From October 2009 to April 2013

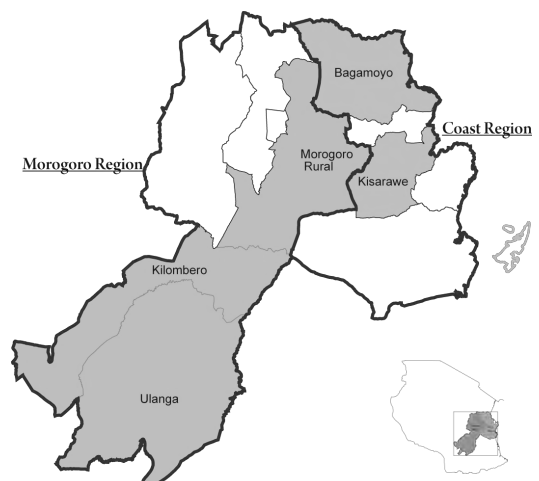
Implementing Organizations

- Prime Minister's Office, Regional Administration and Local Government (PMO-RALG)
- Coast Region and Morogoro Region
- 5 target LGAs (Bagamoyo DC, Kisarawe DC, Kilombero DC, Morogoro DC, and Ulanga DC)
- 10 target Villages in the 5 LGAs

Coordinating Organization

- Training Task Force for Output 1
- Regional Task Forces for Output 2, 3, 4

Target Area



Main Activities

Output 1: A functional training system is established for facilitators

- Develop recommendations for improved training system
- Develop training curriculum/materials for facilitators and pictorial material for village stakeholders
- Prepare institutional arrangement for training implementation in collaboration with the LGTI (Hombolo)
- Prepare strategic facilitators selection criteria
- Train RTFs (NFs/DFs) and evaluate their capacity by the Training Task Force
- Train selected WFs and evaluate their capacity by the Training Task Force
- Review and feedback for improvement of training system

Output 2: An optimum implementation model of O&OD at the selected target villages to strengthen community ownership of their development process is elaborated in the course of verification procedure

- Develop base-line information based on the results of base-line survey in the target villages
- Facilitate village people to clarify their roles and functions of each stakeholder in O&OD process
- Support village people to raise their awareness and strengthen organizations for their development
- Use pictorial materials to facilitate O&OD process
- Facilitate village people to undertake O&OD process; formulate, implement, monitor and evaluate their development projects

- Review and improve O&OD process including O&OD manuals and pictorial materials based on the experience in the target villages

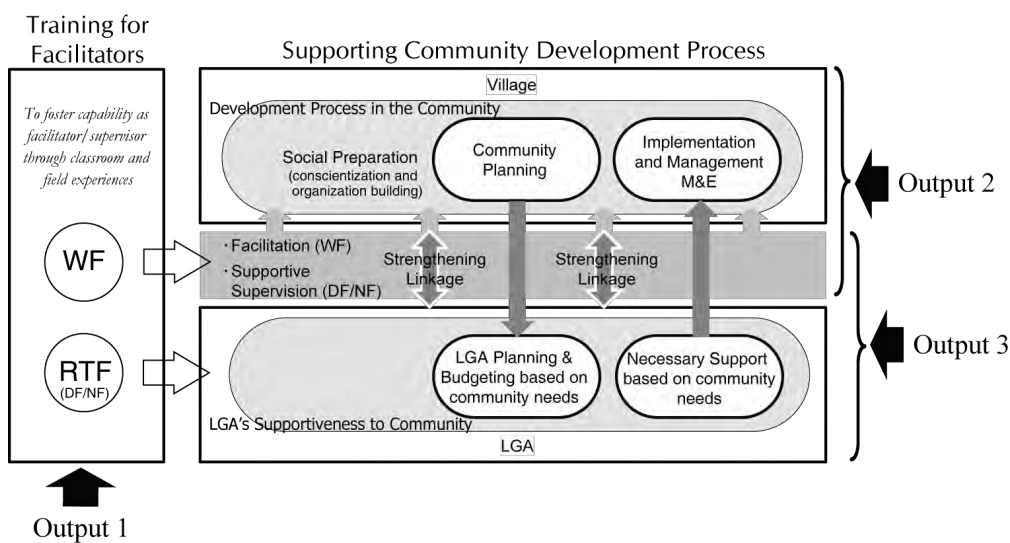
Output 3: An optimum model for effective support of the target LGAs in promoting community initiatives is elaborated in the course of verification procedure

- Review on actual situation of LGA's supportiveness to communities
- Support target LGAs to strengthen coordination among sector departments
- Support target LGAs technically and financially to take possible measures to arrange implementation setup of WFs
- Support target LGAs to make financial arrangements for effective O&OD process
- Supporting target LGAs to develop a mechanism (e.g simplified format) for accommodating community priorities into their planning and budgeting process
- Review and improve O&OD process including O&OD manuals and pictorial materials based on the experience in the target villages

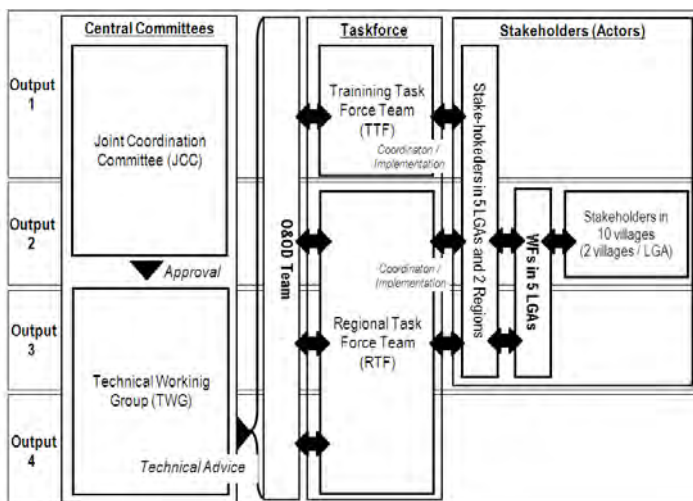
Output 4: Necessary conditions (capacity development, institutional setup, etc.) are developed towards the next replication stage of O&OD optimum model

- Propose replication strategy of an O&OD model
- Share the experience and policy recommendations with stakeholders such as Central Government, RSs, LGAs, DPs, and CSOs

An Image of O&OD Model



Organizational Setup for the Project



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