Visualizing Results The ALCP in Infographics





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The Alliances Lesser Caucasus Programme (ALCP) is a Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation market development project implemented by Mercy Corps Georgia working in the dairy, beef, sheep and honey sub-sectors in the Kvemo Kartli (KK), Samstkhe Javakheti (SJ) and Ajara (AJ) regions in Southern Georgia, regions all highly dependent on livestock production. The programme has been audited according to the Donor Committee for Enterprise Development (DCED) Standard and is committed to the successful implementation and measuring of Women's Economic Empowerment.

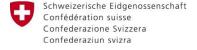
Project Time Frame: The ALCP began on March 1st 2014 and is set to run until February 28th 2017, This report covers the second year of the ALCP from March 1st 2015 until February 29th 2016.

Our Partners: The programme works in partnership with the International Association of Agricultural Development (IAAD) and has scope to contract locally grounded technical expertise through sub contracts for Gender, Governance and DRR.

The Goal of the ALCP is to contribute to poverty alleviation and the transition to a durable market economy for the livestock sector in the selected regions of KK, SJ and AJ, by creating sustainable changes in the dairy, beef, sheep and honey market systems for the ultimate equitable benefit of small, poor farmers, regardless of gender or ethnicity. The programme is run according to the **M4P** (**Making Markets Work for the Poor Approach**) a market systems development approach which **facilitates** key market players in the relevant value chains to address key constraints in core markets and supporting functions to exploit pro poor opportunities for growth. Sustainability is built in through a minimum co-investment of 35% from the market players with whom it invests.

Targets: The previous phases of the Alliances programme have considerably exceeded their targets, impact which is now being bolstered by the appearance of crowding in. **The ALCP Target** is to reach 24,000 households which is 20% of poor households in the programme area, who will benefit directly and indirectly through improved services, markets and operating environment, with increased income from sales, reduced production & transaction costs, increased net worth and employment. 90% of ALCP supported business will still be operating without programme support by the end of the programme and 49,000 (41%) households will have improved awareness of local Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) directly related to livestock production.

The Facilitation Approach: The ALCP will amplify the successes of the Alliances programmes to date in access to quality inputs, improved market access terms of trade and an improved operating environment, promoting scale and long term behaviour change. The ALCP will continue to work with businesses large, medium and small, who have the best potential to generate changes that are economically beneficial for the small farmers who are their clientele or suppliers. The ALCP will also continue to scale up interventions with all levels of government and other key organizations to help influence the operating environment in which the businesses function and farmers exist. Crowding in, copying and sectoral changes already apparent will proliferate to generate long term and lasting change in the lives of small farmers in Georgia. For more information please go to: www.alcp.ge

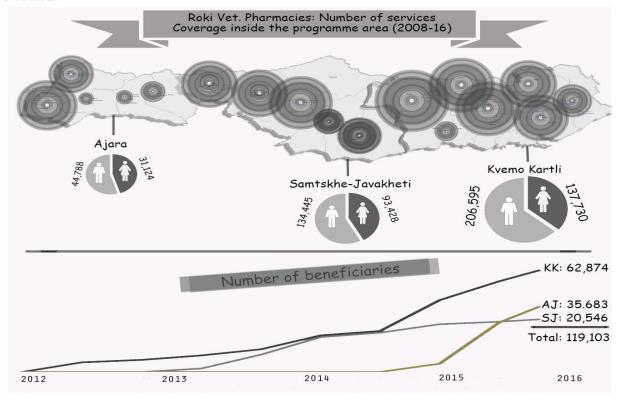


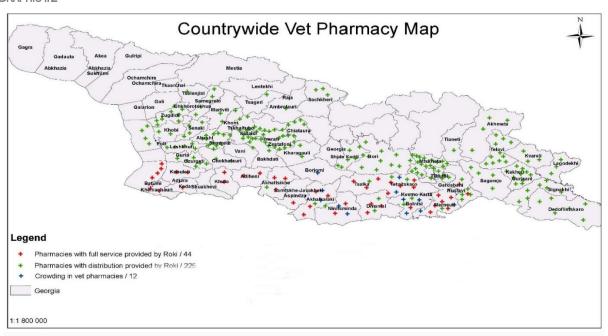


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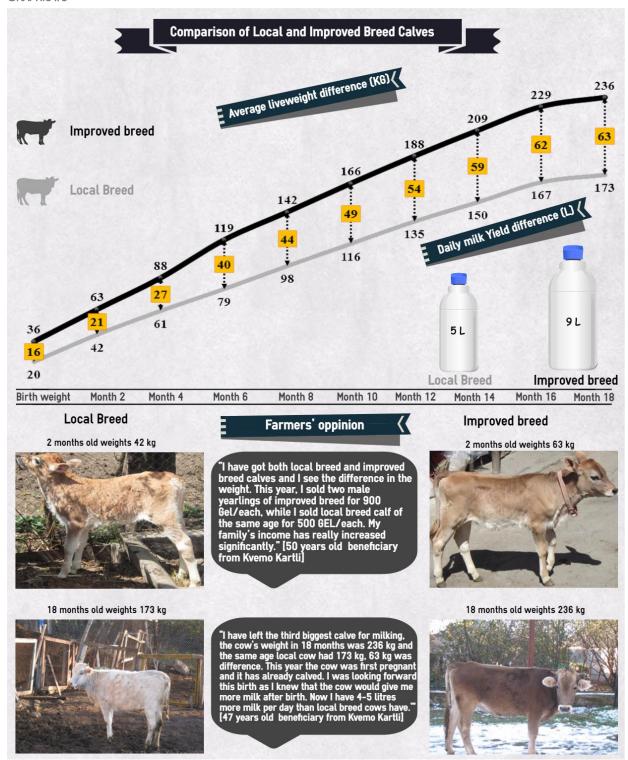
OUTPUT 1.1: VETERINARY

GRAPHIC #1

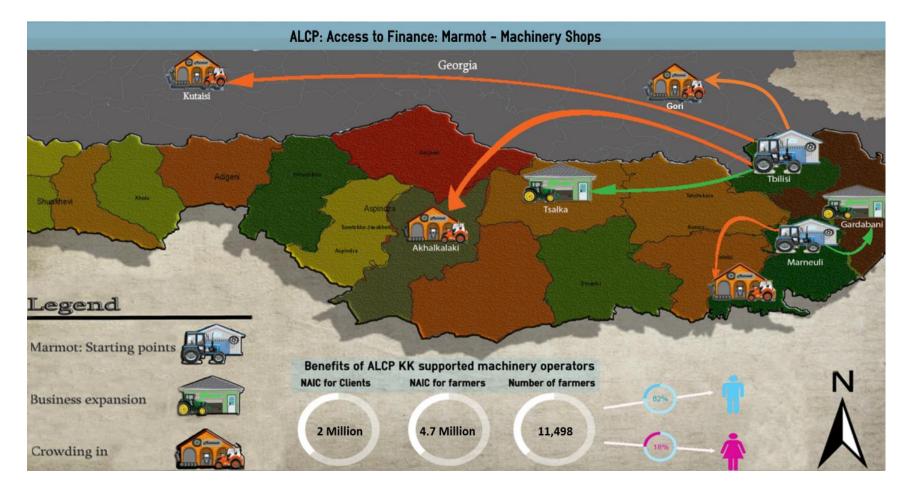




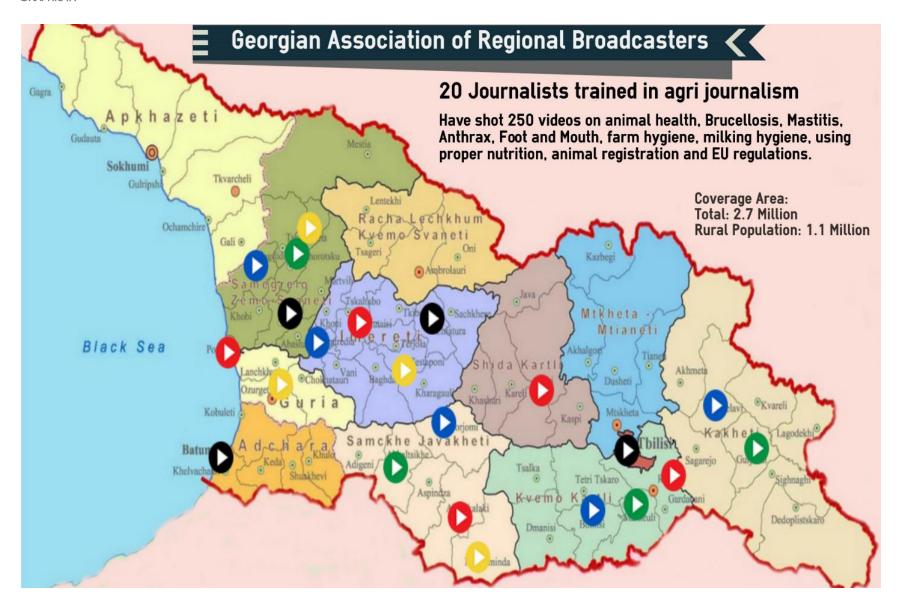
OUTPUT 1.2: BREEDING



MACHINERY SERVICE OPERATORS ACROSS THE ALCP REGIONS Samtskhe Adiara: 23 Javakheti: 183 Kvemo Kartli: 165 11,798 HH's 900 Hectares uncultivated is now being cultivated for hay and New upgraded machines cuts maximum length of hay More Accessible service than the governmental agricultural service centres Timely services with upgraded implements while before could take up to 10 days Hay cut early is more nutritious, sell for a higher price is easier to store and/or transport Systemic Change... 3 new Machinery shops opened Interest free loans for the customers The financial institutions Credo and Bank Republic agreed to reduce their 8% base interest rate to 5% which is covered by Marmot Ltd., meaning the loan is interest free for the customers After seeing the profitable business of Marmot Ltd 3 machinery shops in Ninotsminda, Kutaisi and Gori have opened. They buy implements and spare parts with the wholesale proces from Marmot and sell them with the retail price as Marmot has in his Tollist office.







AGRICULTURE IN SOCIAL MEDIA





The Public Broadcaster's unique national agricultural magazine programme

8,800 page _ Like



30,000

reaches per episode on average

25,759

Tsalka based cheese factory video visitors on YouTube

The increased ratings of Ferma allowed it to win a public tender (October 2015) to facilitate agro programming on public radio twice a week



Ferma is a weekly program on Georgian Public TV dedicated to Agriculture. It features useful information about all fields of agriculture, technological news, introduces successful farmers and provides expert's advice

MOMAVLIS FERMERI



51,123

unique visitors within 11 months of launch from a baseline of 100 visitors a month

200

visitors a day



AGRICULTURE IN SOCIAL MEDIA

The ALCP worked with Mosavali to produce videos online on livestock and honey. Mosavali (www.mosavali.ge) provides online technical content for farmers to improve production and income.

27 videos of agricultural content produced in total







18

Total views



16,600

You Tube

27,900

48,000

facebook

440,000

Viewer's Feedback



Viewers use facebook to ask questions, discuss and debate about the videos which produced are 2-3 minutes.

Nona K: I want to learn beekeeping. Do you have any training courses regarding this?

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Mosavali: Hello Nona, here you can find all our videos about beekeeping. In the next two months new videos will be added up to 30 in total. So, you will be able to learn all the main topics from our videos. http://www.youtube.com/playlist...

Mizyana K: Were can I buy combined feed?

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Mosavali: The contact information is mentioned in the video itself

Anzhelina K: The beekeeping videos are really amazing. I would be happy to learn beekeping and start doing this

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Mosavali: Hello, we have lots of learing videos about beekeeping. You can view all of them on the following link

Most popular videos

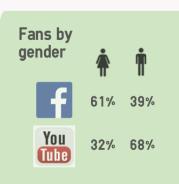
Cow milking instruction How to feed a cow Giving birth to a calf

Milking and feeding cows



Winter feeding Spring inspection Honey types and placing beehives correctly

Honey types Placing a beehive How to transport bees into mountains



OUTPUT 1.5: ACCESS TO FINANCE





Impact from Loans

In the ALCP Access to Finance reaches farmers through Veterinary and Machinery input suppliers, consultancy to business and cheese companies.

Due to regular income received from selling milk female milk suppliers are taking loans for purchasing home equipment and making home improvement









Credo

60%

Liberty Bank

50%

...of its livestock producer customers are women

Female Farmers use interest free loans to buy milking machines that save 50 minutes per milking



70

sold by Marmot (20 with loans /50 cash)

222

sold by Roki (165 with loans, 57 cash)

Interest rate for veterinary customers

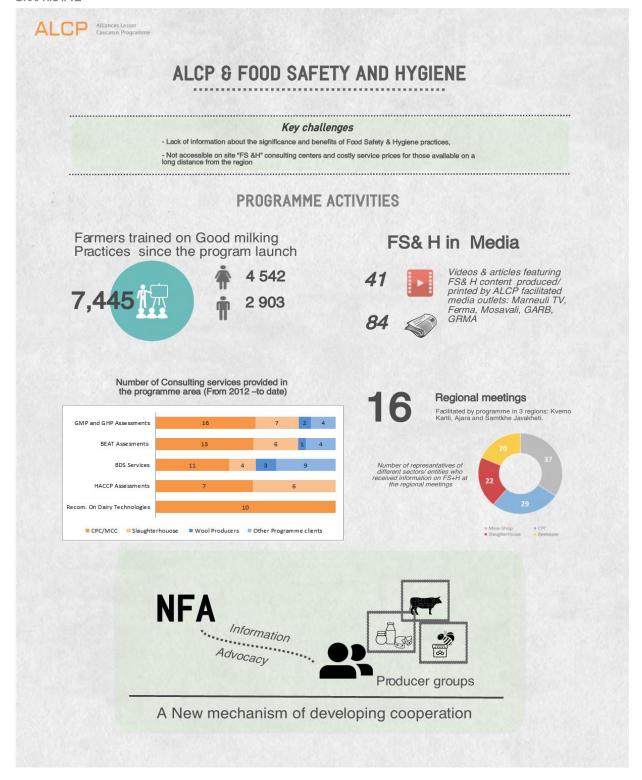


Micro Finance Institutions Credo and Crystal agreed to reduce its 8% base interest rate to 5% and Roki and the vet pharmacies are covering 2%, meaning the loan is 3% interest rate for customers.



After the market stimulation more farmers get mortgage loans in Tsalka

OUTPUT 2.1: FOOD SAFETY AND HYGIENE





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Food Safety and Hygiene Influence on Sectors

Better Access to Market

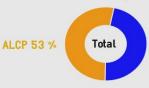
Milk & Meat processors branded their product



First steps of exporting cheese to US...



Branded cheese to the Supermarket chains



Other 47 %

ALCP slaughterhouse meat to the kindergartens





Better Preparedness for Inspections

Supermarkets & HoReCa sectors

making changes to inspection producers & sourcing practice. 87

Value Chain actors

actively taking measures that will lead them to Food safety law compliance 303

Food producing companies are more effectively prepared for NFA inspections and avoid receiving penalties or being closing down



HACCP implementation status among Cheese producers & Slaughterhouses

COMPLETED

IN PROCESS



Change of behavior in SME's

Meat and dairy producers have started to request and pay for FS &H related services independently



GRAPHIC #14

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MILK SUPPLIER SMALL SCALE LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS



Before milking

Milking process should be carried out with washed hands and clean clothes;

The udder should be also washed before milking; it is desirable to clean it with a single usage cloth and dry it well

During milking

The first portion of milk is not usable in food or production and should be poured out

In case of Mastitis, discard the milk during the period of disease, until milk runs clean. Consult a local vet for detailed treatment

After milking

In order to remove the yellow sediment it is better to use the acid liquid once a week

Milk is kept maximum 2 hours at 7-89 °C. Avoid leaving it exposed to warm temperatures or sunlight

Processed containers, machinery and other utensils should be put in the clean, specially assigned places

Farmers should systematically keep monitoring their cows' health in order to ensure optimal well-being of their livestock. In any suspicious case local vet and dairy enterprise must be informed.



Discard milk during use of antibiotics. The milk, which includes the residues of antibiotics negatively influence on humans' health. Ask a local vet to tell you the duration while milk should not be used

Milk received from the animal, which is diseased with mastitis cannot be used in the cheese production!



It is very important to give proper amount of water to cow during the day!

THE QUALITY OF MILK MAINLY DEPENDS ON FEEDING



Proper nutrition keeps cows healthy and allows them to produce high quality milk. There are many different kinds of feed for

- Hay (dried grass or alfalfa) Combined feed (Maize, Bran, Barley, oil cake, alfalfa)
- Vitamins and minerals
- Protein supplements

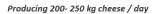


CHEESE PRODUCER COMPANY "MILKEN"

Cheese producing company "Milken" Ltd is situated in Rustavi city. 8 employees are employed at the enterprise

Collecting 2.5t of milk / day

The company daily collects and processes up to 2.5t of milk from 140 trained small scale livestock producers, from 4 villages in Gardabani municipality.



Up to 250 kg different types and packaging of Sulguni cheese is produced by the Enterprise daily



НАССР

The company has established HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points) and implements preventative approach to minimize the risk of food safety hazards in the milk and production and processing.

MILKEN supplies

NIKORA FOODMART ZGAPARI LA FAMILY LIBRE VEJINI SMART ORI NABIJI MADAGON



LONG SHELF-LIFE OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

First testing of collected milk is done in the villages daily by milk collectors who use Lactoscan to check the content of water and fat, the density and somatic cell counts, which are first critical indicators of mammary gland health and milk quality

ENTERPRISE ENSURES SAFETY, QUALITY AND

Special care is taken to avoid leaving the milk exposed to warm temperatures or sunlight - After collecting the milk including its transportation period to the store it is kept in cold conditions (7-8º C) for maximum 2 hours In a special cooler/ cooling equipment



Before processing, the milk is tested for antibiotics, which ensures that all products meet the strict standards for antibiotic-free milk.

Milk is also tested for temperature and acidity before it is accepted at the processing plant.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL FREE HOT LINE NUMBER XXX XXXXXX

OUTPUT 2.3.3: ACCESS TO MARKET

GRAPHIC #15



ALCP -	To date (2008-2016)			
	SJ	KK	AJ	Total
Number of supported milk processors	20	10	2	32
Milk: Peak season / Tones per day	33.5	31	5.5	70
Number of beneficiary HHs	4,633	7,920	1,195	13,748
Indirect benefits of	ALCP mil	k processor	's	
Number of entities crowding in	11	3	2	16
Number of beneficiary HHs	628	1,617	N/A	2,245

Legend



Fully operational milk processors / 26

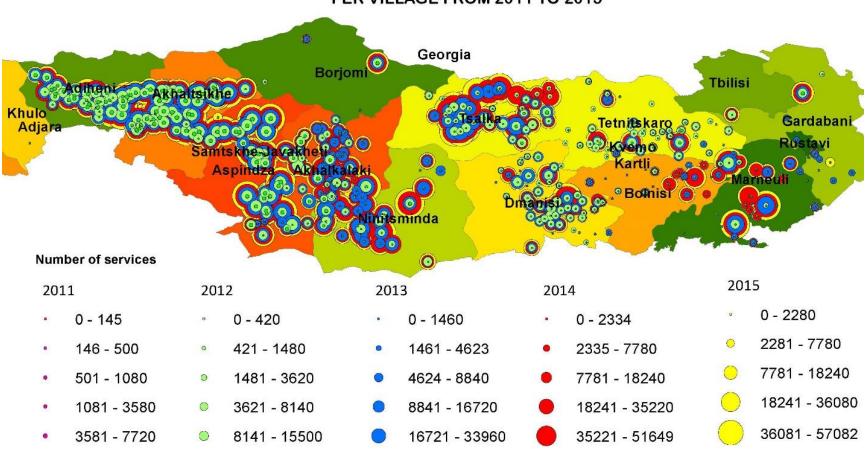


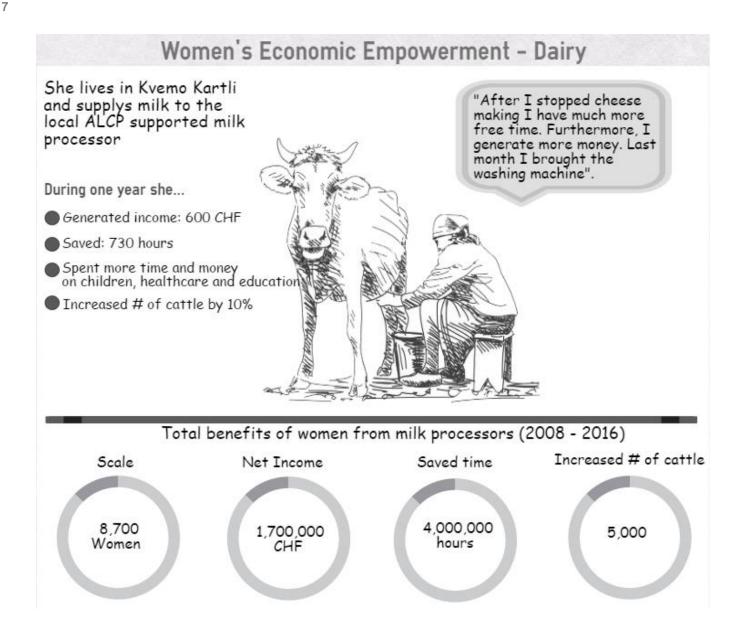
Milk processors under construction / 1

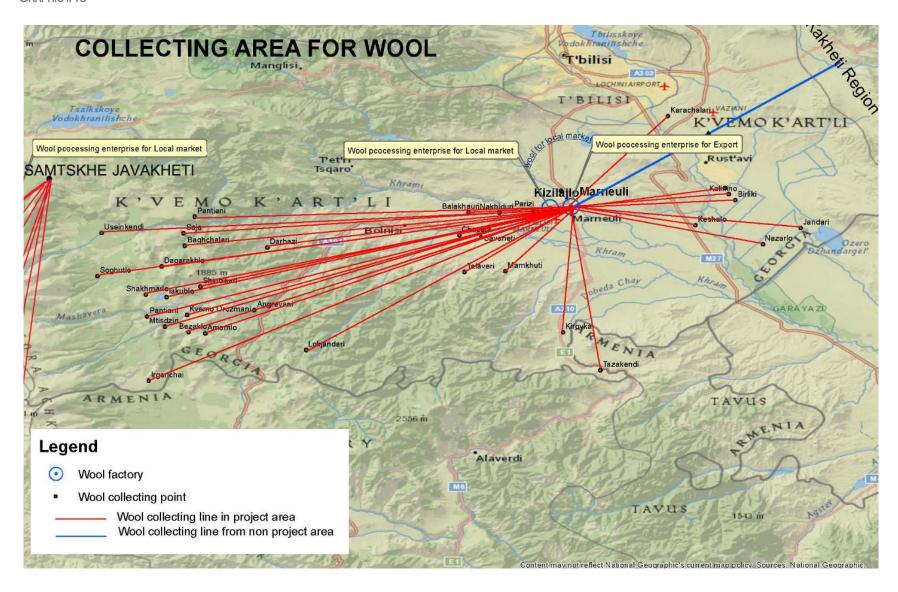


Non operational milk processors 15

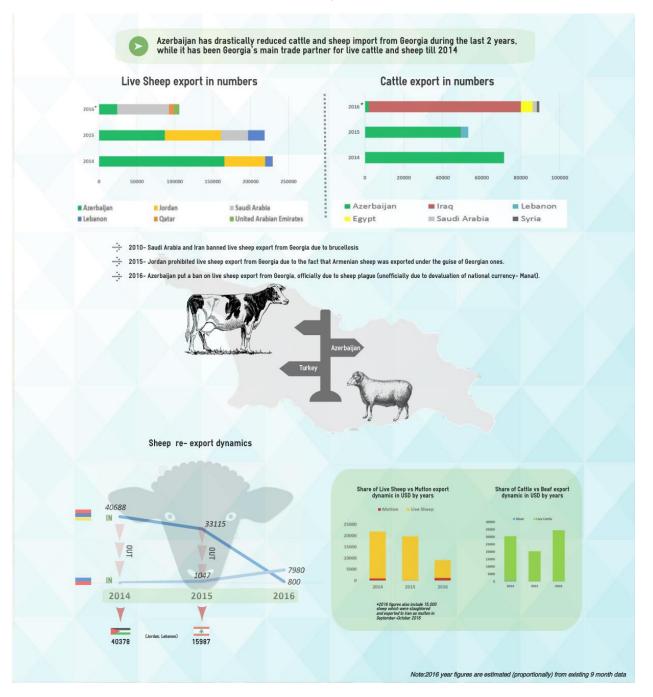
INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY ALCP MILK PROCESSORS PER VILLAGE FROM 2011 TO 2015





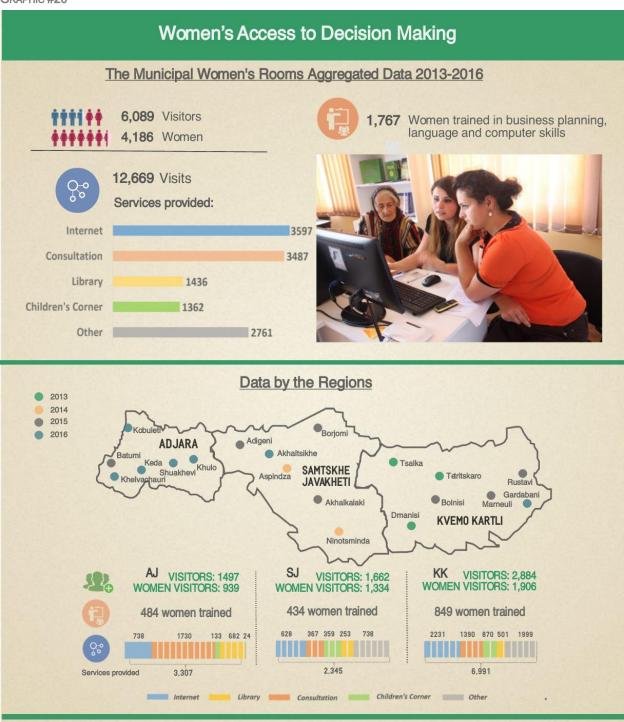


Live Export



OUTCOME 3: GENDER & GOVERNANCE

GRAPHIC #20



The Women's Room is a municipal service housed in the LSG building in each municipality of Kvemo Kartli, Adjara and Samtskhe Javakheti. There are already 19 Women's rooms in 19 municipalities of Georgia. It is a resource center and communal space which aims to help the local population, especially women residing in rural areas, access local government and its resources and encourage and increase women's participation in decision making.

Women's Participation in Community Meetings 10,981 Female participants out of a total at 41,016 people attended community meetings in March 2016 in 3 regions (KK, AJ, SJ) 27% 22% 2015 2016 The total percentage of women's participation in the community meetings of Adjara, Samtskhe- Javakheti and Kvemo Kartli WOMEN'S ATTENDANCE IN COMMUNITY MEETING BY REGIONS AND YEARS · Kvemo Kartli Adjara Samtskhe-Javakheti 2016 2015 Baseline PARTICIPATION OF VILLAGE POPULATION IN COMMUNITY MEETINGS BY REGIONS AND GENDER IN 2016 ■ Women men Kvemo Kartli 10,410 Ajara 9,266 Samtskhe-Javakheti 10,359 13,262 Average baseline Projects initiated by women: Children's playgrounds, heating and water systems for village kindergartens, community libraries, water and sanitary systems renovation.

Women's Instigated Initiatives



 ${\bf 68}\,$ Women's Initiatives Instigated in KK, AJ & SJ in 2016

21 Initiatives worth 337,431 GEL (147,349 USD) instigated by women in community meetings in 4 municipalities of KK - Marneuli, Tetritskaro, Gardabani and Tsalka



14 Initiatives worth of 57,199 GEL (24,978 USD) instigated by women in community meetings in 3 municipalities of AJ- Khulo, Shuakhevi and Keda



17 Initiatives worth of 216,002 GEL (94,324 USD) instigated by women in community meetings in 4 municipalities of SJ - Akhaltsikhe, Adigeni, Akhalkalaki, Ninotsminda.

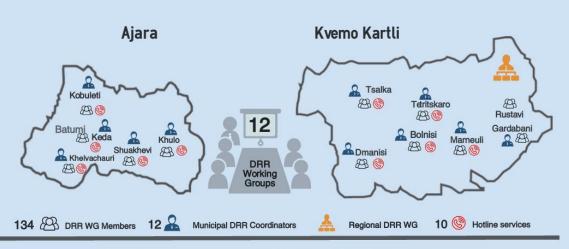


Women's instigated initiatives besides community meetings

16 Additional livelihood related initiatives instigated by women from Kvemo Kartli region, out of which five-9116 GEL (3,980 USD) worth activities have already been financed from local municipal budgets. The rest 11- are pending to be financed.

Municipal DRR Working Groups

Creating Local Mechanism of Disaster Risk Reduction



DRR WORKING GROUP RESULTS 2014 - 2016

Local Government has higher capacity to mitigate risk and control diseases



10,091

HHs with reduced disaster risks by DRR working groups

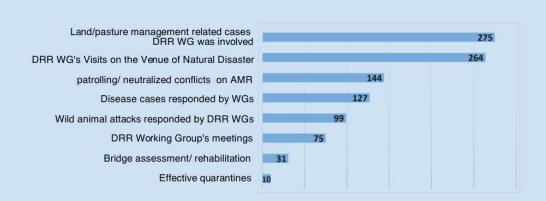


Quality disaster risk monitoring & outreach measures (preparedness & mitigation) implemented

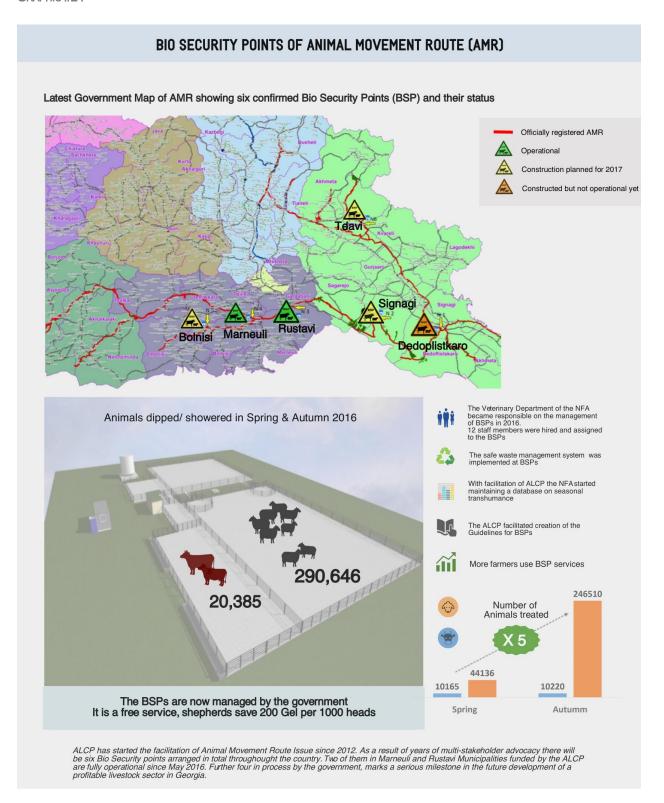
56,750



HHs received information on animal disease prevention



Municipal DRR working Groups plan and implement prevention measures and activities to reduce disaster risks with focus on livestock related disaster on a municipal and regional level. The groups are established by the Gambebeli and include representatives from different departments of the self-government, a municipal representative of the National Food Agency and the MIA and MOA local representatives.



Animal Identification/ Registration







Accessible database system for Slaughterhouses, Milk collectors and Dairy factories

