GROUP PRESENTATION RECORD (US)

To be completed by the CRS in country staffs during outreach events

1. General

a) Volunteer Name: **Thomas Cadwallader**	Country: **Kenya KE53**	Host: Kitui Development Centre
Audience**: KDC staff , CF Nzangathi, Kitui County representative, Ministry of Agric, CF katwaza, CF Kanzau**) **and CRS**	No of people **14**	Date **8ᵗʰ May 2014**
f) Venue: **KDC's Meeting room**	Country Project: **Livestock**	

2. Assignment Objectives:

- Identify data/reporting needs of KDC's Poultry Production and Marketing Project
- Train KDC staff on analysis and generation of reports
- Facilitate KDC staff and selected poultry farmers (TOT's) in designing data collection tools
- Carry out a pilot test of developed tools to detect any weaknesses in design
- Discuss with KDC staff how to adapt developed tools for other KDC projects

3. Please comment on the achievement of objectives :

- Reviewed Poultry Sector Baseline Study and FARM-Africa grant to determine production, income and quality of life indicators to be measured.
- Developed an Excel spreadsheet and related data collection tool for collecting and analyzing the production data.
- Developed a six question survey tool for measuring some long term quality of life indicators.
- Piloted the tools with six poultry farmers from two different groups.
- Analyzed the data and discussed potential adjustments to the tools.
- Met with the donor to discuss the impact indicators that were being measured and the tool that was being used.
- Presented the tool to representatives from approximately half of the 60 community groups who would be using the data collection tool, answered their questions and addressed any concerns they had.
- Discussed how what was done for the Poultry Project could be adapted to the Mango Project.

4. Recommendations to the host with regards to the assignment

- Begin using the survey tool on at least a quarterly basis and get feedback to the poultry producers so they can see what progress is being made and become more involved in improving the process and as a result their own management.
- Look for some additional training in Kenya on improving skills on using the simple database

management capabilities in Excel for doing surveys and reporting results. Access is a better tool for doing surveys and keeping track of producer information but it is a program that the staff isn't as familiar with.

- While it is important to use planning methods such as the Logic Model for overall program planning don't forget about very useful tools such as a process gap analysis to identify steps in the production and marketing of the product you are working with. In doing a Gap Analysis it is very important to involve representatives from all sections of the production and value chain.
- Now that the knowledge base is in KDC, adapt it and modify it as needed for the Poultry and Mango Projects and any others that the staff may move into.

5. **Anticipated Impact:**

- KDC is developing the internal capacity and confidence in developing evaluation tools for all of its projects.
- Involving farmers in the process of collecting data and receiving feedback on production goals and objectives will hopefully motivate them to make improvements in how they manage their enterprises.
- If the farmers begin to improve their various enterprises, making them more profitable, it will go a long way towards meeting KDC's goal of improving the food security and livelihoods of the rural community.

6. **Recommended future volunteer Assistance:**

- Assistance in developing a variety of value addition options for poultry
- Based on the results of a poultry value chain Gap Analysis, provide support to address any gaps that are identified.

7. **Recommendations to other non-host stakeholders**

- None

8. **How CRS can improve your experience as a volunteer**

- The project went well. Gabriel Mbokothe has a very good understanding of the hosts needs and I have worked the host before.
- The only problem that I had was internet access, which did not affect the project but was more of an inconvenience. The Safaricom connection was terrible. I had a chance to borrow a KDC staff members Orange modem and it worked beautifully.

The lodging in the Kitui Cottages was very nice but there were many issues with power and water

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