



African Millennium Village initiative



Fast Facts

Country: Ghana; Kenya; Mali; Nigeria; Senegal; Tanzania; Uganda

Duration: March 2006 to March 2015

Implementing UN Agency: UN Women

Other Implementing Partners: National Ministries; local government institutions; World Agroforestry Centre

Budget: \$20,000,000

Key Words: Poverty reduction; rural development; agricultural services; inclusive community development

BACKGROUND

To reduce extreme poverty by 2015 and to meet the needs of the world's poorest, Member States of the United Nations, in September 2000, agreed to eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) ranging from halving extreme poverty rates to halting the spread of HIV/AIDS and providing universal access to primary education. While the MDGs were producing incremental gains in many countries, rural sub-

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

As part of the broader UN Millennium Project, the AMV initiative sought to contribute to the achievement of reaching the MDGs by 2015 in some of the poorest regions of sub-Saharan Africa. In this regard, the project advanced the overarching goals of (i) supporting multi-sectoral interventions in the areas of agriculture, business development, education, health, nutrition, water, sanitation, infrastructure and

BENEFICIARIES

The project selected seven villages in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Tanzania and Uganda. The villages were located in diverse agro-ecological zones, reflecting the range of farming, water and disease challenges facing the region, and