

REPUBLIC OF MALI: Construction of the CFCT Training Centre



Dormitory Section

Within its decentralisation process, the Mali Government has built up a system of local government authorities, which, in the past 10 years, has significantly influenced the political-administrative structure of the Republic. Although well established, the local government system is still in need of qualified personnel for the vast number of local administrations throughout the country.

To enable the responsible Ministry of Territorial Administration and Local Collectivities (MATCL) to recruit well trained personnel in an adequate number for their services, it was decided to develop a new national training centre for local government staff, the Vocational Training Centre for Territorial Collectivities (CFCT). The new training centre is to be combined with the new CFCT head office – a suitable location was identified in the outskirts of the national capital, Bamako. The terrain was made available by the Mali Government and the financing of the centre was secured through German Development Cooperation in the framework of the ongoing Support Programme to Territorial Collectivities (Programme d'Appui aux Collectivités Territoriales) supported by GTZ and InWent. The German Development Bank (KfW) as co-operation partner, has agreed to fund the new CFCT Centre and its required infrastructure.

When completed, the new centre will cover a built-up area of some 5,000m². It will

contain an adequate number of training facilities (seminar rooms, multi-purpose hall, library), a dormitory section for some 150 students, the administrative offices of CFCT, a central kitchen and canteen, and all services and incidental facilities required for the functions of a modern training centre.

Project implementation will be under responsibility of the Ministry (MATCL) and the CFCT. The CFCT, as implementing agency, has delegated the responsibilities of Executing Agency to the AGETIPE (Executing Agency of Public Works for Employment), which has engaged a consortium of Mali consulting firms (architecture / engineering) for the design and construction supervision of the new centre under the direction of an international consultant.

GITEC Consult, as the international consultant, will render direct assistance to the

client organisations in preparing the design, in tendering and contracting, and in supervising the construction works for the required facilities and infrastructure. Moreover, GITEC will co-ordinate with GTZ / InWent on issues pertaining to CFCT's training requirements and with the delegation of the European Union on their possible contribution in furnishing and equipping the new CFCT. Last, but not least, GITEC will liaise with the donor institution, KfW, for obtaining their 'no objection' to the relevant steps in project implementation, and will oversee the project's financing. To this end, GITEC will establish the payment procedures for both, the 'Disposition Fund' and the 'Direct Disbursement' systems in line with KfW's guidelines.

GITEC's resident architect, Mr. Daniel Schumann, took up his services in mid February 2010. As the 'Co-ordinating Supervisor', he is continuously placed in Bamako. He will be supported by shortterm specialists, such as for the design and installation of solar energy support systems. At present, the Centre is at the design stage. Completion of the new CFCT is planned for August 2011, i.e. within a project period of 18 months. A particular milestone is set for the start of construction activities by September 2010, when the Republic of Mali celebrates its 50th Anniversary of Independence.



Administration Building

CHINA PDR : German-Chinese Dialogue Event: Sustainable Forest Management

Once again China and Germany moved closer together in exchanging ideas on forestry development. Within the scope of the German-Chinese dialogue, a three-day event on Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) was organized under the leadership of K f W - G e r m a n Development Bank in Berlin. The event started on May 18th with a plenary session day at KfW Berlin, followed by two field demonstration days in the state of Brandenburg. The event was visited by high-ranking German and Chinese participants at Minister and State Secretary level as well as decision makers from the German and Chinese forestry sector. The event provided the possibility to discuss and to exchange ideas on forestry subjects of global significance, such as sustainable, multifunctional forest management, CO² reduction, illegal logging, and forestry reforms in China. Other fields such as



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conservation of biodiversity and the implications of climate change were also discussed.

The event was supported by the Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) in co-operation with the German Forestry Council and the German Ministry of Agriculture, as well as by the States of Brandenburg and Bavaria, and the German-Chinese Friendship

Association (DCF). The event was a grand success and the participants repeatedly reiterated that the German-Chinese Forest Dialogue should be continued and intensified.

Nearly 20 years of GITEC's engagement in China PDR:

It is since 1992 that GITEC is assisting the Chinese State Forestry Administration (and former Chinese Ministry of Forestry) with the preparation and implementation of forestry projects financed by German Financial Cooperation (18), World Bank (2), ADB (1), and the European Union (1). The event was a most welcomed opportunity for GITEC to meet and to refresh contacts with the high-ranking German and Chinese participants and to exchange ideas. The dialogue event was attended by GITEC's director of the Agricultural and Rural Development Department, Mr. Peter Keil-Bruder, who since 1994 is directly involved and responsible for GITEC's support to the forestry sector in PR China.



Provincial Project Office Staff of our Afforestation Project in Jiangxi Province



Interviewing farmers in Hunan

INDIA: Improvement of the Blood Transfusion System

GITEC has been awarded in May 2010 for the a.m. GTZ-funded programme in India. This is an ongoing programme since 2008, and it is intended to supply quality and safe blood and blood products in order to ensure that the population in need has universal access whenever required.

Co-operation will be with the National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) and the National Blood Transfusion Authority (NBTA), and from Germany with the German Red Cross.

The programme will focus on:

- Establishing and setting up the National Blood Transfusion Authority (NBTA)
- Establishing and developing the Plasma Fractionation Centre (PFC)
- Establishing and developing four Metro Blood Banks as Centres of Excellence
- Introducing quality management systems in the existing blood banks and
- Developing a communication and motivation strategy for voluntary blood donation.

There will be a multi-level approach involving the national, state, and district levels on communication and co-ordination.

Furthermore the co-operation between the public and private sector (Public Private Partnership) will be encouraged. The programme within its implementation period up to end of 2011 aims to introduce a quality management system on all levels and increase the voluntary blood donations.

SUDAN: Feasibility Study for the Establishment of a Poverty-oriented Development of Water Supply and Sanitation Services for Yei

Before signing the Comprehensive Peace Agreement in 2005 decades of conflicts had resulted in an almost complete breakdown of basic infrastructure and governmental administration in Southern Sudan. Due to the 2005 Interim Constitution of Southern Sudan and the Interim National Constitution the Government of Southern Sudan (GoSS) is committed to alleviating poverty and promoting economic growth under the new framework of decentralized government. GoSS recognises the central role of the water sector and has identified the development of sector policy and strategies as a key priority in order to enable sustainable management and effective delivery of water and sanitation services and thus the improvement of health, welfare and productivity of the people of Southern Sudan.

An international consortium of which GITEC is a member was assigned the GTZ-financed study "Feasibility Study for the Establishment of a Poverty-oriented Development of Water Supply and Sanitation Services for Yei".

The objective of the feasibility study is to develop a technical and managerial concept for improving the water supply and sanitation situation in a sustainable way for the entire population of Yei. The first phase of the concept will pay particular attention to improving the situation in the areas with the worst water and sanitation conditions and highly affected by poverty.

The preparation of the feasibility study will be conducted in three distinct stages:

- Stage 1: Analysis of the socio-economic situation including the assessment of conflict potential, preparation of a technical inventory, assessment of the institutional situation, and conduction of a SWOT-analysis (a special strategic planning method).
- Stage 2: Elaboration of options for technical and institutional project concepts/outlines.
- Stage 3: Preparation of conceptual design and project proposals.

The given time frame of the study is 4 months. GITEC is responsible for the technical aspects of the project.

LAO PDR: Rural Infrastructure Programme III



Bridge in Project Area

The Rural Infrastructure Programme (RIP), funded under Lao-German bilateral FINCOOP (KfW), is entering Phase III, transferring the services of Phases I and II from Northern Provinces Bokeo, Luang Namtha and Oudomxay to Sayabouri and Attapeu, in the North-Western and Southern parts of Lao PDR. Subsequent to successful completion of the preceding Rural Roads Programme – Bokeo, as well as the first and second phases of RIP, GITEC Consult was awarded the contract for the implementation of RIP III after competitive bidding. Responsible for contract implementation is the Ministry of Public Works and Transport, Department of Roads, which has transferred implementing authority to provincial and district levels to the Department of Public Works and Transport (DPWT) and Office of Public Works and Transport (OPWT), in line with the decentralisation initiative of Lao PDR. Close co-operation with local authorities is one of the main features of RIP-Projects fostering efficiency, capacity building and sustainability.

Under RIP I and II, about 325 km of rural roads, including 300m of bridges have been

constructed or were rehabilitated to all-weather standard. RIP III is a continuation of such construction and rehabilitation works of the rural roads network, following recommendations made in the Project Preparation Study (conducted by GITEC in early 2009).

Similar to the previous phases, phase III has been divided into:

- Implementing Measure Component, concerned with performing all necessary field investigations, topographical, geotechnical and hydrological surveys, detailed engineering design and planning, including hydrological design studies, studies on construction materials, climatic changes, road safety and safeguard measures to mitigate negative project impacts. Furthermore, GITEC is responsible for the pre-qualification of contractors, preparation of draft tender documents and of tender drawings as well as assisting DPWTs during tender period. Thereafter, consulting services are continuing in the areas of construction supervision, contract administration and training of SME contractors. For the latter, training

curricula and course documents will be prepared to guide practice oriented training. GITEC will establish and operate a system to monitor the socio-economic impacts of all investments under RIP III and will operate a disposition fund for interim payment certificates to contractors.

- Accompanying Measure Component, concerned with training activities aiming to enable DPWT/OPWTs' staff to carry out road project management, construction supervision and maintenance with much less external support. Further, staff members (mainly of OPWT) to become capable of functioning as trainers for village community maintenance systems. Findings and experience gained during implementation regarding training and the dissemination of maintenance methods and practices shall be collated and presented to Lao Government as well as the donor community through the Infrastructure Sector Working Group with the objective to have this approach standardized and used in other projects as well. GITEC's services for RIP III were taken up in June 2010 under the guidance of the Project Manager, Mr. Rainer Kuhnle (Dipl.-WirtschaftsIng.).



Bridge Opening

MONGOLIA: Environmentally Sound City Development in Ulaanbaatar

Since its transformation into a democracy Mongolia is experiencing a rapid urbanisation mainly as a result of migration of population from rural to urban areas. The population of Ulaanbaatar has more than doubled during the past 10 years and amounts currently of about 1.1 million inhabitants according to unofficial estimations. Most of the migrants have settled in informal settlements (ger areas) consisting mainly of felt tents without piped water, inadequate drainage and flood protection and only very poor sanitation facilities (pit latrines).



Ger settlement in the Nisekh Area, Ulaanbaatar

In December 2009 GITEC was awarded to conduct a feasibility study on the provision of wastewater facilities for new housing areas within the project “Environmental Sound

City Development in Ulaanbaatar” in the Southwest of Ulaanbaatar (Nisekh and Yarmag). The study is financed by the German financial cooperation KfW and is

part of the Cities Development Initiative for Asia (CDIA), a joint initiative of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the German Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ) and the Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA). The consultancy services comprise three phases:

- Phase 1: Project scoping and data-collection
- Phase 2: Conceptual project planning
- Phase 3: Feasibility study including preliminary design of project measures

The study works started on April 12th 2010 and is expected to be finished in October 2010. For implementation, GITEC has formed an association with a Mongolian consulting company. The team of 5 international and 4 local experts is headed by Mr. John Wanneck.

KENYA: Mid-term Evaluation of Kenya Arid and Semi-arid Lands Research Programme (KASAL)

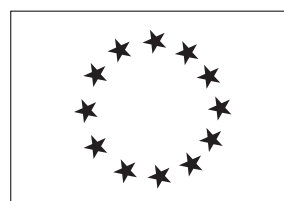


Indigenous Poultry: Kathonzweni Farmers' Field-Day Banner

From March to April 2010 GITEC took part in a mid-term evaluation mission for a special research project called KASAL, a research programme for the arid and semi-arid districts (ASAL) of Kenya funded under the 9th EDF (2006-2010) with 7,9 million €. The purpose of the

KASAL programme, which is implemented by the Kenya Agricultural Research Institute, is to improve access to innovative development, validated agricultural and livestock knowledge and technologies for rural populations, farmers and (nomadic) pastoralists, in the arid and semi arid zones in Kenya which cover about 80% of the country and support 30% of the population. KASAL is charged with the responsibility of developing technologies that are suitable for farmers in the ASAL areas. These technologies include water harvesting, dry land crop production, livestock production including bees and poultry. The intermediate objective of KASAL is to increase the agricultural production and productivity under dry-land conditions. The evaluation team was charged in examining the relevance, the implementation progress, efficiency and effectiveness and the impact and

sustainability of the programme. In addition, the experts were requested to validate and assess the integration and impact of cross-cutting issues of the programme, e.g. gender, climate change and environmental concerns, and good governance among others. The field work was completed mid-April 2010. The report is currently under review of the EU-Delegation in Kenya.



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