
Executive Summary

Solidaridad SAF will invest resources in implementing a seven-year programme titled Pathways to Prosperity (P2P) in Zambia, Mozambique and Malawi. The main value chains being looked at include tea, cotton, leather and diversification crops in addition to a long-term transformative ambition. Transformative change requires a systemic approach, which is holistic and includes all root causes at different levels. The main objective of P2P is enable producers and workers thrive by participating in supply chains which are economically viable, socially responsible and environmentally friendly, through a fair and inclusive access to services, inputs, finance and markets for men, women and rural youth. The programme will also contribute to facilitating a more enabling policy environment through its sister programme, RECLAIM Sustainability Cotton.

To achieve its objectives, P2P will combine grassroots activities in production system with activities that are market oriented (Market dynamics). Specifically, P2P will adopt a dual approach of combining interventions at production level through capacity building of producers, developing innovative solutions to support them (viable and resilient production systems), and complementary market interventions that enable more producers to adopt solutions (inclusive service delivery systems and inclusive market linkages). The production and market interventions synergy provide solid foundation in addressing structural weaknesses and the root causes in the production and market systems. A critical complementary approach also relates to changing governance system and creating enabling policy environment that enables more market actors adopt solutions. To maximise the impact of the interventions, P2P implementation will be strongly linked to RECLAIM Sustainability programme and the two programmes will be simultaneously implemented in Zambia focusing on Cotton and Leather.

Solidaridad SAF engaged Focus Africa to conduct a Baseline Assessment for P2P project in Zambia. The Consulting Firm was expected to conceptualize the baseline study in line with the planned results framework (outputs, outcomes, and impacts) of the P2P projects in Zambia, thus providing the basis for project monitoring, mid-term evaluations and impact assessment.

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