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Improve Nutrition & Promote Sustainable Agriculture

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Islands

Problem

- High reliance on imported food, ex; rice flour sugar
- High rates in NCDs such as diabetes and malnutrition
- Lack of knowledge on Nutrition & Agriculture
- Lack of Life skill
- Low income or no income at all
- Out migration is very high
- Small scale on Income Generating

Opportunity

- Increase Food Production
- Improve Food Security & Health
- People return to homeland & cultivate for farming
- Enhanced quality & resilience in food supply & production
- To Build Interest around Nutrition & Agriculture
- Reduce Climate Change Impact

Success

- ▶ Nutrition Education in the Community
- ▶ Nursery management & composting training
- ▶ Provide gardening tools
- ▶ Distribute seeds & seedling
- ▶ Integrate gardening, cooking & nutrition to upper grades in school
- ▶ Small scale on Income Generating thru “One Island One Product”, Farmer’s annual competition & in the National Local Trade Fairs

Change in food Pattern



Community learning & sharing; Composting Gardening



Tools Provided to Women and Farmers



Seeds & cutting distributed



School Learning Garden



Student & Teacher cooking lesson - (Banana Jam)





One Island One Product Breadfruit Flour



RMI Constitution day
2017.

Local Farmer's Competition



One Island One Product Coconut Sugar 2018



EBON
One Island One Product

Kadiklok Naninmej In Tonal

- Food Security
- Health Promotion
- Sustainable Livelihood
- Robojak ien otemjej
- Kelet nan ajmour
- Ejelok jerata, bwe ej kopoj rainin, iliju im ien otemjej

Organic Coconut Sugar

Pure Ebon

Challenge - thick vegetation to grow local food crops in a large scale



Challenges

- ▶ Connecting with the right local stakeholders those parties directly involved in food security is a Challenge.
- ▶ Development partners not connected at local level entities to manage the funds and implement projects and drop or simplify their financial management requirements and procurement requirements.
- ▶ Transportation
- ▶ Climate Change (drought, etc)

Way Forward

- ▶ Provide Micro Finance to farmers in a more easy way
- ▶ Provide inputs such as; water irrigation, packing, shredder, mini ploughing machinery and resilience crops.
- ▶ Build capacity of processing own resources (value adding)

Way Forward (cont')

- Initiate the mind of our people who are not interested in Agriculture by starting to integrate agriculture with their own interest; example “tourism with agriculture” which is very successful in Kiribate

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Thank you very Much