

The United Republic of Tanzania is ranked 151 out of 188 countries in the 2015 Human Development Index, and is categorized as a least developed country. However, the country has shown steady economic growth in the last decade and, in the second Five-Year National Development Plan (FYDP II) 2017-2021, the government has targeted reaching middle income status by 2025.

Tanzania's population is estimated to grow by 3% annually according to the World Bank, and economic growth is projected to average 6.2% annually for the period 2017 – 2026 (Deloitte, 2017). This is a positive outlook, provided the growing population is managed effectively. While the poverty rate in the country has declined, the absolute number of poor has not because of the high population growth rate. The prevalence of stunting declined from 42% in 2010 to 34% in 2015, but is still severe and above the African average. Food production is adequate to feed the population, though farm productivity remains low, and the poorest households struggle to meet basic food and nutrition requirements.



POPULATION



57 million

(World Bank, 2017)

GNI PER CAPITA



USD 905

(World Bank, 2017)

OUR PROGRAMMES

A range of well-integrated programmes are active in Tanzania. The Microfinance Programme is active and healthy, with 145 branch offices across 25 regions (of 31), with a range of financial services including micro-finance loans, agri-finance, small enterprise loans and ELA loans. The AFSL programme currently implements the WeSoLve project - Women Entrepreneurship through the Solar Value chain for Economic development. The ECD Programme manages the Play Lab project funded by Lego Foundation, and itself is closely integrated with the Alternative Learning Programme funded by NORAD - which combines education and empowerment opportunities for adolescent girls with ECD activities - and the ELA Programme, funded by NoVo Foundation.

OUR TEAM



We have a total of **1,748** staff, of whom **98%** are Tanzanian nationals and **81%** are women. In the Country Management Team, **37%** of the staff are women

CURRENT GRANTS

PROGRAMME	PROJECT	DONOR	STARTING DATE	DURATION	BUDGET (USD IN MILLIONS)
ELA	Empowerment and Livelihoods for Adolescents in 4 districts	NoVo Foundation	October 2013	5 years	1.7
Education	The Play Lab	The LEGO Foundation	October 2015	5 years	1.9
	Education, Empowerment and Life-skills for Adolescent Girls and Young Children	NORAD	August 2018	5 years	1.5
Agriculture, Food Security and Livelihood Programme (AFSL)	WeSoLve project (Women Entrepreneurship through the Solar Value chain for Economic development)	DANIDA	September 2018	4 years	1.5

MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS

PROGRAMME/PROJECT	KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	ANNUAL TARGET 2018	ACHIEVEMENT (SEPTEMBER 2018)	% ACHIEVED
Empowerment and Livelihoods of Adolescents (ELA)	Average number of attendance of member in ELA Clubs per day	30	25	83.3
Early Childhood Development (ECD)	Average number of attendance of children per day	23	25	108.6
Total Microfinance (all products)	Number of total borrowers (cumulative)	191,628	190,866	99.6
	Loan disbursement (million in USD)	87.29	66.7	76.4
	Operational Self Sufficiency	152.3	132.7	87.1

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Two clients of the Small Enterprise Programme won top Micro-entrepreneurship awards.
- 70.2% students in ALP study centres passed the Certificate for Secondary Education Examination.

CHALLENGES

- Unfavourable government policies and procedures (including high taxation and other factors) hamper loan issuing to small enterprises.
- Clients do not have the proper collateral documents.

LESSONS LEARNED

- Advocacy at national and local government has met with success on ECD issues in Tanzania.
- Parenting education is a critical component of Play Lab project as parents engagement in children learning and development has increased over time.

PRIORITIES FOR 2019



- Microfinance: Build capacity among staff, ensure a quality service, and target expanding with 16 more branches in 2019.
- Education: Begin piloting an ECD social enterprise model in Tanzania.
- WASH: Use the lessons learned from the 'Last 100 Meters' project to secure funding and scale WASH activities.
- Agriculture, Food Security and Livelihood: Use the market development approach experience from our LEAD project to secure fund from AMDT and other donors.