



THE IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING OUR MARKET FORWARD BETTER

The Keeping Food Markets Working Programme

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Building our market forward better

Why so?

Simply to boost and ensure:

1. Upgrade of physical infrastructure;
2. Improve the infrastructure in terms of market organization;
3. Increase food safety (which result in food losses reduction);
4. Improve management of solid waste.



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1. Upgrade of physical infrastructure

For better food safety, as well as occupational health, through the following examples:

- Building porch - allowing better working conditions.
- Water supply system (safety, quantity and pressure) for cleaning food, set-up and washing facilities (*Mainly in this critical period of COVID-19*);
- Drainage system to meet various needs across the market;
- Liquid waste system to meet the needs across the market;
- Cold rooms are powered by solar panels to secure the running of cold supply chain;
- Market maintenance programme installed & regularly monitored.



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2. To improve the infrastructure in terms of market organization entails:

- Allowing better flow of people & goods in and out of the market;
- Providing proper slaughterhouses;
- Allowing a location for selling fish;
- Allowing a location for selling meat;
- Allowing a location for selling vegetables and fruits



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3. Increase food safety (which result in food losses reduction)

To do so, we need to ensure the following:

- That vendors are selling their products in cleaned and adequate stalls;
- That all waste materials are collected and disposed;
- That market areas and food are protected from environmental hazards, including rain, sun, dust, insects, rodents and other animals;
- That refrigerated or cold room is made available to conserve the food;
- That basic infrastructure to promote sanitation, such as: toilet and hand washing facilities, safe water supplies, and drainage are all available and maintained.



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4. Improvement management of solid waste

To improve management of solid waste, it's just require the following aspects:

- A group of management commission in market;
- Placement of different type of storage containers (Metallic and plastic) in market;
- Conduct a Pest control;
- Allocate the internal transports (if necessary) to collect the waste once the containers are filled or once daily after time-service.



1-Metallic Container



2-Plastic Container



What does it mean building our market forward better in Mozambique case?

Before: Markets in Mozambique



Damaged Roofs



Food losses



Damaged Stalls- Fish and meat area



Damaged porch



Vendors selling on the ground

After: Building markets forward better



Outside of the market



Inside of the markets

THANK YOU

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