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Project for Strengthening and Promoting Coffee Value Chain in Rwanda

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Project Basic Information

Project Implementation Structure

Supervising Ministry

MINAGRI (Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources) **Implementing Units**

NAEB (National Agricultural Export Development Board)

RAB (Rwanda Agriculture and Animal Resources Development Board

JICA Team

JICA

JICA Rwanda Office

CEPAR(Coffee Exporters and Processors Association of Rwanda)

RCCF(Rwanda Coffee Cooperatives Federation)

Other Coffee Stakeholders

JICA in coffee value chain in Rwanda

- 2012-13: Survey on Coffee Growing and Marketing
- 2013-15: Training in Japan for Strengthening Competitiveness of Coffee Producers
- Implementation of the project
 - ✓ Phase 1: May 2017 May 2020
 - ✓ Phase 2: Oct 2021 Oct 2026

Phase 1 (2017 – 2020)

Technical transfer of farming skills to a PILOT Cooperative, KOPAKAKI

1. Sand seed bed, 2. raising seedlings, 3. planting, 4. floating system of coffee cherries, 5. pruning, 6. cut back, 7. improvement of African bed, and 8. compost production

KOPAKAKI became a model of improve farming and processing skills.

- Multi Stakeholder Capacity Building
 - Implementing a series of multi stakeholders meetings
 - Hosting Barista Championship Competition
 - Hosting Agrishow to promote pilot cooperative's coffee
 - Implementing Study tour to Hawaii (3 persons) and Columbia (10 persons)

Goal of the Phase 2

Promoting the coffee value chain in Rwanda

Improvement of quality and profitability of Rwandan Coffee

Rwandan Coffee and the Japanese coffee market

INFO ABOUT COFFEE IN RWANDA

- 400,000 small holder farm families cultivate coffee
- The total area in coffee is currently 39,844 hectares
- Coffee is grown in all provinces in the country at an altitude less than 1900 m
- Coffee is among top export commodity to generate revenues to the country.
- Rwanda is focusing on high quality coffee export, especially full washed coffee therefore, constructed sufficient Coffee Washing Stations from 2 coffee washing stations in 2002 and currently 313 coffee washing stations in 2022

Rwanda's Coffee Policy Direction **High Quality Coffee to fetch premium** prices

Japan is one of good importing countries of high quality coffee with high prices.



Suitable for Rwanda's coffee direction

Green Coffee exports by country in 2020 (World Bank: World Integrated Trade Solution)

	Country	USD	Amount (KG)	USD/Kg		
	World	67,903,360	19,866,200	3.42		
1	United States	16,443,490	3,899,320	4.22		
2	Switzerland	15,369,260	5,150,190	2.98		
3	United Kingdom	8,630,010	2,172,530	3.97		
4	Belgium	5,421,810	1,894,140	2.86		
5	Singapore	4,316,840	1,308,240	3.30		
6	Kenya	3,483,600	1,001,170	3.48		
7	Netherlands	1,846,040	668,802	2.76		
8	Japan	1,495,410	235,435	6.35		
9	New Zealand	1,411,520	384,778	3.67		
10	South Sudan	1,396,600	834,268	1.67		

Green Coffee exports by country in 2021 (World Bank: World Integrated Trade Solution)

	Country	USD	Amount (KG)	USD/Kg
	World	80,616,210	18,040,400	4.47
1	Switzerland	25,696,560	5,836,380	4.40
2	United Kingdom	22,319,740	4,984,310	4.48
3	Kenya	9,252,870	1,960,410	4.72
4	United States	7,868,060	1,467,810	5.36
5	Belgium	1,989,460	445,723	4.46
6	Germany	1,730,070	360,251	4.80
7	Netherlands	1,575,150	392,475	4.01
8	Japan	1,417,260	207,731	6.82
9	Singapore	1,055,670	334,623	3.15
10	France	899,650	207,340	4.34

Pillars of the Project

- Branding of Single Variety Coffee
- Promoting Marketing
- Pilot Cooperatives
- Coffee Platforms

Mibirizi, Branding Single Variety Coffee



Mibirizi church, Rusizi



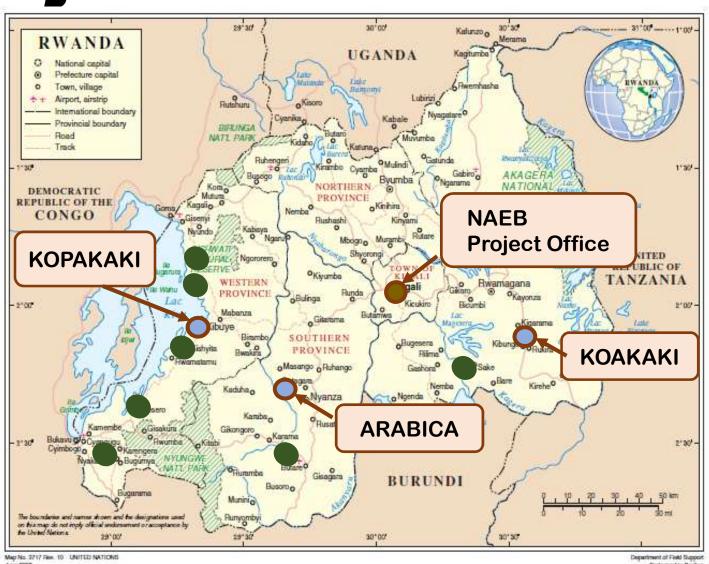
The project is implementing trial cultivation of Mibirizi variety coffee for development of a special brand that is unique to Rwanda as a national flag product.

In 2021, transplanting genuine Mibirizi at the project experimental farms.

In 2025, final evaluation of coffee from experimental farms will be conducted for recommendation to commercial cultivation.

Project sites

: Experimental farms



Phases for Mibirizi branding

	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
Trial Cultivation and Adaptability Assessment												
Grading system And Registration												
Mibirizi Growers Association Establishment												
Commercial Cultivation												
Marketing and Export by members												

PILOT COOPERATIVES

Higher quality and more profitable coffee production model is developed Output 2:

Steel Drying Bed

(Cooperative Strengthening)

Sand Seeds Bed

KOPAKAKI is a pilot cooperative since Phase 1. It made good progresses on Farming and Processing as shown in the pictures.



Compost



Narrowed Grading canal

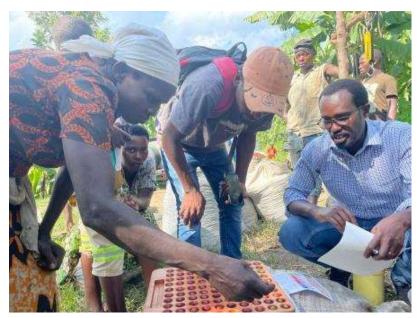


Press Tour by inviting domestic medias

Further intervention at KOPAKAKI



Quality Control Training



Ripe cherry harvesting with cherry paddle

The project also conducted training on processing of Natural and Honey

NEW PILOT COOPERATIVES

KOAKAKI and ARABICA: selected after baseline survey of 32 cooperatives: The first intervention was a study tour at KOPAKAKI





SEED Bed before and after (using sand)

Demonstration of usage of bigger plastic pots and mixture of soil, sand and organic manure.



KOAKAKI and ARABICA





KOAKAKI Earthworm composting house



The project will continue demonstration of improved farming techniques using the seedlings and earthworm compost at demo plots within each Pilot Cooperative.

PLATFORMS

- Platforms with coffee related organizations, CEPAR(Coffee Exporters and Processors Association of Rwanda),
 RCCF(Rwanda Coffee Cooperatives Federation), Rwanda Barista Association and other coffee related organizations,
- To strengthen linkage among these organizations to create venues to discuss common issues and share good practices/lessons.





Workshops to bring them together.

Thank you very much