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Benin - Cashew Nuts Sector and Agricultural Entrepreneurship Development Support Project (PADEFA-ENA)



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### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Benin
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-04-03
Borrower	MINISTERE DE L'AGRICULTURE DE L'ELEVAGE ET DE LA PECHE
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 9.38 million



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#### **Project Description**

The present intervention concerns the Cashew Nuts Sector and Agricultural Entrepreneurship Development Support Project (PADEFA-ENA). The project will help, through a sector value chain and integration approach, to create an enabling environment for developing small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the cashew nut sector, for the employment of youths and women, and the creation of a sustainable impact on local development. The main expected outputs include: (i) reprofiling 145 km of access roads; (ii) building and equipping 5 RCN storage warehouses each with a capacity of one thousand tonnes; (iii) rehabilitating 15,000 ha of old cashew nut plantations and supporting the creation of a modern cashew orchard of 3,000 ha for an expected improved yield of 700 kg per hectare; (iv) supporting job creation, identified in the various links of the sector, for 10,000 youths and women; (v) supporting the construction and equipment of 20 satellite RCN shelling units for the benefit mainly of women and 20 walnut and cashew apple processing units; etc. The three (03) main components of the project are: (i) resilience of cashew producers and increased carbon sequestration potential; (ii) development of value chains; as well as (iii) project coordination and management.

The sector objective of the project is to contribute to poverty reduction and improvement of food and nutritional security in Benin. The specific objective is to contribute sustainably to raise the income of stakeholders and the productivity of the cashew nut chain in Agricultural Growth Pole No. 4 (AGP 4).

The direct beneficiaries are: (i) cashew nut farmers; (ii) cashew nut traders; (iii) raw cashew nut processors; (iv) exporters; and (v) the inter-professional cashew nut sector (IFA) and its regional and divisional constituents. The project will indirectly benefit the end consumers, as well as stakeholders involved or associated with the project at various levels.



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#### **Bank Documents**

- Benin Projet d'appui au developpement de la filiere de l'anacarde et de l'entreprenariat agricole [Original Source]
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