

Nigeria – Country Fact sheet

Improve livelihoods of small-scale rice farmers in Sub-Saharan Africa

Competitive African Rice Initiative (CARI)

Our Strategy

CARI aims to empower rice farmers by increasing the competitiveness of domestic rice supply and thus raising their daily income above the poverty line.

The strategy of CARI are the identification, optimization and expansion of sustainable business models in order to encourage the integration of small-scale rice producers. As well, technical and financial assistance rely on the value chain approach. This approach encourages coordination and the creation of sustainable linkages between the different actors leading to higher economic returns along the rice value chain.

Cooperation with the public and private sectors is one of the key principles of CARI. The principal, is the Matching Grant Fund. This innovative instrument leverages private and public investments that promote high quality and quantity of rice both in processing that will meet high competitive market demand

CARI in Nigeria

- ❖ In total **100,000** farmers are targeted to be engaged in inclusive business models in Nigeria.
- ❖ Targeted increase of yields from an average of **1.5 mt/ha** to **6 mt/ha**.

States in which CARI Supports



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Matching Fund Partners

11 Matching Fund Partners conduct their activities in **13** Nigerian States.

- ❖ Ajifa Rice / Vancol CropCare
- ❖ Atafi Agro / Three Brothers Rice Mill
- ❖ Babban Gona Farmer Services Limited
- ❖ Green Sahel / Danmodi Rice Mill
- ❖ Kebbi State Agricultural and Rural Development Authority / Labana Rice Mill,
- ❖ Masco Agro / Popular Farms Rice Mills
- ❖ Niger State Rice Investment Consortium / Onyx Rice Mill
- ❖ Niger State Agricultural and Mechanization Development Authority / Popular Farms and Mills
- ❖ Popular Farms and Mills Limited
- ❖ West African Cotton Limited Rice

Women Focused Partner

- ❖ Women Farms Advanced Network / Umza Rice Mill



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