

African Chicken Genetic Gains (ACGG) Tanzania

Consent information sheet: ACGG Producer Level Baseline Survey

The African Chicken Genetic Gains (ACGG) project aims to catalyze public-private partnerships for increasing smallholder chicken production and productivity growth as a pathway out of poverty in sub-Saharan Africa. We believe that the availability and affordable delivery of brooded and pre-vaccinated chicks that are adapted to typical low-input systems in poor rural communities would greatly increase production and productivity and improve livelihoods, especially for poor women who are the focus of the project. We also believe that the increased production will lead to more access to meat and eggs in rural communities, which will result in increased household animal protein consumption. We want to achieve this by empowering smallholder farmers, especially women, to access their preferred, but more productive chicken breeds that they can optimally manage in their specific agro-ecology and production systems. We plan to work in your village, but we cannot guarantee that you will be a direct beneficiary. However, we plan for benefits to reach existing and future smallholder poultry producers in Nigeria.

The project works in 20 districts in Tanzania and you are one of the households selected by a random process for the household survey. The purpose of the survey is for research to get baseline information to design the project's intervention and against which to enable monitoring and evaluation of project activities. The survey will cover current chicken flock sizes, smallholder chicken production systems, ecotypes, current realized productivity levels, husbandry practices and the socioeconomic status of poor smallholder chicken farmers.

This survey also seeks information about demographic characteristics of your family, assets, chicken production, chicken productivity, chicken management, chicken marketing, labor allocation for chicken farming activities, group memberships, access to credit, food security and consumption. We will also ask some questions related to 'who makes what decision in this household', for us to better understand how the project activities can benefit everyone in your household. Participation in this survey is voluntary and humbly request your consent and assistance in responding to the survey.

The information you give for this survey is confidential and will not be given to any other person or used for any other purpose.

For any clarification regarding the project please use the following contact details.

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We appreciate for your time and participation.

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Farmers consent

The consent information sheet has been read to me and I understand it / I have read and understood the information sheet.

I understand what participation in the study means for me and my family.

I understand that the information regarding me that is collected in the course of this study will remain confidential. This means that I understand they will not publish the information

I understand that I will receive a fieldworker at home who will ask me questions about demographic characteristics of the household, assets, chicken production, chicken marketing, and chicken productivity, and chicken management, labour allocation for chicken farming activities, group memberships and access to credit and food security and consumption to better understand how the project activities can benefit everyone in my household.

I understand that I am free to take part in the survey or refuse, and that I can withdraw myself from the survey without giving any reason. Deciding not to take part or to withdraw from the survey will not affect my participation in the other aspects of the project.

I have had a chance to ask questions and have them answered.

Name of the participant: _____

Signature or thumb print of participant: _____

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