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Angola

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Communication	1
SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	1
Medicine and Public Health	1



Burkina Faso

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	27
Agriculture	14
Education	1
Community Development	12



Cameroon

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	71
Agriculture	45
Medicine and Public Health	3
Education	11
Community Development	4
Rural and Urban Development	2
Small and Medium Enterprises	4
Communication	1



Benin

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	8
Agriculture	4
Education	2
Community Development	2



Burundi

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Education	1



Central African Republic

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Community Development	1



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Chad

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	3
Agriculture	3



Congo

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	4
Agriculture	4



Cote d'Ivoire

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	35
Agriculture	11
Medicine and Public Health	1
Education	2
Community Development	21



Democratic Republic of Congo

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	7
Agriculture	3
Education	2
Community Development	2



Equatorial Guinea

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	2
Agriculture	2



Eritrea

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Education	1



Ethiopia

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	78
Agriculture	17
Medicine and Public Health	31
Education	3
Community Development	10
Rural and Urban Development	2
Gender Issues	14
Communication	1

ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	3
Agriculture	1
Medicine and Public Health	2
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	50

SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	11
Agriculture	7
Medicine and Public Health	1
Education	1
Regional Planning	1
Community Development	1

LONG-TERM CONSULTANCIES	2
Agriculture	2

Ethiopia

Joining Forces with USAID to Assist the Development of Ethiopia's Agriculture

MASHAV and USAID are cooperating in a joint program with Ethiopia's Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to assist the development of Ethiopia's agriculture. In February 2005, at the successful conclusion of a series of working discussions, an agreement was signed for a three-year program to provide technical support in order to accelerate the transfer and adoption of modern agricultural technologies and practices in Ethiopia. During

2008, with USAID budget assistance, training and technical assistance were provided by MASHAV's experts in the fields of the activities specified in the agreement: capacity-building for small holders and commercial farmers, cooperative members, and water user groups as well as on the areas of dairy herds improvement, small scale irrigation and water management, horticulture crop production, soil conservation and biotechnology. Activities included, among others, training courses and professional tours both in Israel and in situ, focusing on biotechnology issues.

Joint Program with Save the Children Norway

MASHAV and Save the Children Norway Ethiopia (SCNE) signed a three-year cooperation agreement aimed at establishing a joint program to support child development activities in Ethiopia. The agreement is part of an on-going and growing collaboration with SCNE. It will enable MASHAV and SCNE to strengthen the capacity of Ethiopian organizations dealing with child development issues, by benefiting from the training programs to be provided in Ethiopia, at the Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center and at other training centers in Israel. According to the agreement, MASHAV will also assist in bringing Israeli experts both for on-the-spot training and short-term consultancies that will take place in Ethiopia as well as facilitate and coordinate the participation of Ethiopian trainees in international and specially created programs in Israel.

Cooperation with the Millennium Village Initiative

The Millennium Village Initiative is based on a single powerful idea: impoverished villages can succeed in meeting the Millennium Development Goals if they are empowered with practical know-how and technologies. By investing in health, food production, education, access to clean water, community development and essential infrastructure, these community-led interventions will enable impoverished villages to escape extreme poverty, something that currently confines over one billion people worldwide.

MASHAV is working together with the Millennium Village Initiative Project in the Tigray region in Ethiopia. The Millennium Village Initiative works directly with the national government, respective communities, non-governmental organizations, and the international donor community to show how rural Africa can lift itself out of extreme poverty and achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) – while operating within the budget constraints established by international agreements for official development assistance.

MASHAV's collaboration with the Millennium Village Initiative was officially launched in February 2005 with the announcement that Israel would dispatch a long-term agricultural expert to work side-by-side with the farmers in order to bring about crop diversification, additional agricultural livelihoods, establish access to markets, both domestic and foreign, and to involve women more efficiently into the development process through the creation of small entrepreneurships.

MASHAV experts conducted a survey in the Tigray area (11 villages) to assess the local needs in the fields of irrigation and water management, introduction of improved planting materials, orchard management and development of intensive and integrated horticulture-based production systems, agribusiness development plans, development of integrated natural resources conservation and capacity building through on-the-spot training and short-term consultancies.

MASHAV's long-term expert is also responsible for designing programs in community development. In addition, continuous Israeli experts are dispatched to the region to work together with local farmers on different subject matter.

Leading the Fight against Neglected Tropical Diseases in Ethiopia

Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) are affecting about a quarter of the world's population and primarily the poorest people on the globe. They may also have a major influence on the spread and intensity of the three large epidemics - AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria.

The Center for Tropical Diseases and AIDS (CEMTA) of the Faculty of Health Sciences at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev is now leading an initiative to eradicate intestinal worms in Ethiopia. The joint MASHAV/Ben-Gurion University project is part of an initiative to eradicate intestinal worms in Ethiopia. The project started at the end of 2008 in the town of Mekele in the North of Ethiopia, and involves the construction of restroom in schools to prevent the spread of contagious intestinal worms.

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Gabon

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	6
Agriculture	4
Community Development	2



Gambia

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Rural and Urban Development	1



Ghana

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	7
Agriculture	3
Medicine and Public Health	3
Gender Issues	1
ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	4
Medicine and Public Health	3
Regional Planning	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	202
SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	3
Medicine and Public Health	2
Education	1

Ghana

Cooperation with the Millennium Cities Initiative

The city of Kumasi, capital of Central Ghana (population of 1.6 million people) is one of the Millennium Cities in Africa. MASHAV participates at the

Millennium Cities Initiative (MCI) to meet the goals of the Millennium Project.

In 2002, MASHAV constructed, equipped and trained local staff to operate a trauma unit at the Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital in Kumasi. It was a pilot project for the Central Region of Ghana and at present, the unit is fully functional and is used as the main emergency department of this medical center.

In 2007, MASHAV introduced to the local authorities the concept of neo-natal units based on the experience of Ben-Gurion University and Soroka Medical Center in Beer-Sheva. These units are capable to reduce infant mortality significantly utilizing simple and not expensive techniques and technology. In November 2008, the first unit at Kumasi South Metropolitan Hospital became operational, and is being managed by the local staff, who participated in an intensive three-months training in Israel.

A second unit, at Sun Tresso Medical Center, is currently under construction by MASHAV thanks to the donation of Mr. Leonard Kaplan. The first phase concerns the upgrading of a hospital building, and is due to be operational at the beginning of 2009.

In 2008 MASHAV organized missions in the fields of health and medicine, nutrition and HIV, upgrading of water supply systems, and more. MASHAV provided training in Israel as well as in Ghana (mainly by short-term courses). Kumasi can be viewed as a model of MASHAV's goal to cooperate and coordinate its programs with donor and partner countries alike.



Guinea-Bissau

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Education	1



Kenya

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	158
Agriculture	26
Medicine and Public Health	6
Education	34
Community Development	32
Rural and Urban Development	33
Small and Medium Enterprises	24
Communication	3

ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	3
Medicine and Public Health	1
Community Development	1
Science and Technology	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	141



Lesotho

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Rural and Urban Development	1



Liberia

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	4
Education	2
Rural and Urban Development	2

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Madagascar

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	2
Community Development	2



Malawi

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	4
Agriculture	3
Rural and Urban Development	1



Mali

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	19
Agriculture	19



Namibia

SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	1
Agriculture	1



Niger

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Community Development	1
ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	2
Agriculture	2
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	76



Nigeria

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	117
Agriculture	30
Medicine and Public Health	8
Education	36
Rural and Urban Development	16
Gender Issues	1
Small and Medium Enterprises	23
Communication	3

ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	5
Agriculture	5
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	194

SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	1
Regional Planning	1



Rwanda

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	6
Agriculture	2
Education	1
Rural and Urban Development	2
Small and Medium Enterprise	1



Senegal

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	18
Agriculture	13
Education	1
Community Development	4

ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	1
Education	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	100

SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	4
Agriculture	3
Regional Planning	1

LONG-TERM CONSULTANCIES	1
Agriculture	1

Senegal

Techo-agricultural Innovation for Poverty Alleviation – TIPA

A project based on the concept of the African Market Garden (AMG), and focusing on poverty reduction and crop productivity was established in four different sites in Senegal.

The project involves a small-scale horticultural production package developed by Israeli experts, based on low-pressure drip-irrigation, a mix of annual and tree crops, and an “operating system” which leads the farmer to irrigate according to scientific principles. The benefits of using the AMG system include higher yields of improved quality vegetables and fruits, the ability to produce crops year round, the most efficient utilization of water resources, decreased labor requirements for irrigation and weeding, and greater likelihood of maintaining the productive capacity of the soil. Drip irrigation facilitates year round production of vegetables and fruits. The project in Senegal is accompanied by a MASHAV long term expert.

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Seychelles

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	1
Community Development	1
ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	1
Agriculture	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	18



Sierra Leone

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	6
Medicine and Public Health	1
Education	2
Rural and Urban Development	1
Communication	2



South Africa

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	3
Agriculture	1
Communication	2
SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES	2
Education	1
Communication	1
LONG-TERM CONSULTANCIES	1
Agriculture	1

South Africa

Techo-agricultural Innovation for Poverty Alleviation – TIPA
 A project based on the concept of the African Market Garden (AMG), and focusing on poverty reduction and crop productivity was established in different regions in South Africa as a result of Israel's participation in the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) in Johannesburg in August 2002. Both TIPA and the African Market Garden are specialized horticultural production systems for small landholders, making use of the Family Drip Irrigation System, developed by the International Program for Arid Lands (IPALAC), MASHAV's extension Center for International Agricultural Development (CINADCO) and Israeli irrigation manufacturer Netafim. The system, which includes a mix of annual and perennial crops and a special low-pressure drip irrigation system, has been proved to significantly enhance yields and lowers the risk of subsistence farmers in arid and semi-arid zones.

After starting with 20 small-scale family drip irrigation systems for local farmers in Cradock in South Africa's Eastern Cape Province, that number expanded to 120 in 2003. In 2004, MASHAV expanded the project to other areas of South Africa in cooperation with Ikamva Labantu, a local NGO, and the Embassy of Israel in Pretoria. During 2008 the Cradock project is run by the farmers themselves, and three new projects are in various stages of implementation. The TIPA project in South Africa is accompanied by a MASHAV long-term expert.



Tanzania

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	16
Agriculture	5
Medicine and Public Health	2
Education	1
Rural and Urban Development	6
Small and Medium Enterprises	2
ON-THE-SPOT COURSES	1
Regional Planning	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	35



Togo

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	9
Agriculture	6
Community Development	3



Uganda

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	65
Agriculture	20
Medicine and Public Health	2
Education	6
Rural and Urban Development	6
Small and Medium Enterprises	29
Communication	2



Zambia

PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL	4
Rural and Urban Development	4