PROMISING IMPROVEMENTS IN FBFS IN AFRICA

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1. Mapping and Documentation

Groundwater potential zones

Using GIS+RS

Planning new abstraction (water) points

FBFS potential areas

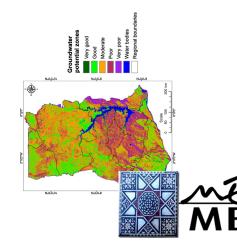
FBFS potential areas in unutilized lowland plains

Documentation of status and potential

General FBFS in university curricular



Basin	Potential (hectares)	Development (hectares)
Tana	205,000	68,700
Athi	40,000	11,000
Lake Basin	200,000	10,700
Kerio valley	64,000	5,400
Ewaso Ngi'o	30,000	10,000
Total	539,000	105,800



2. Innovative technologies

- Information and communication technologies (i.e. pastoralists)
- □ Rainfall and flood forecasting
- Estimation of flood areas
- Drought prediction
- Pest control
- Markets e.t.c



3. Upscaling

- Practitioners (farmers, entrepreneurs, model farmers)
- Capacity building (policy makers, decision makers, govt authorities)
- University curricular (for agronomists, engineers, water professionals)
- Research (National, regional experts)-academics specialised on FBFS







CONCLUSION

Other improvements

Agricultural Practices

Introduction of improved crop varieties

Plant breeding

Exchange of knowledge

□Sorghum, maize and rice (e.g. floating rice)

Example: flood plains of Tana river and Busia counties in Kenya

Flood water management skills and practices

Understanding of flood behaviour

Moisture management vs water logging

Intensification of farming practices

Diversification of livelihoods

Artificial flood releases

Using integrated basin approach and detailed studies of dam management



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