

UTaNRMP GALS Success Stories

Description:

From a gender baseline study undertaken by the Upper Tana Catchment Natural Resources Management Project (UTaNRMP) in 2014, it emerged that on land ownership, 85.8% of the family land was registered under the man of the household and 7.4% under women. On gender workload analysis, the study established that in sections of the project area, women work an average of 15-17 hours per day against 6-10 hours worked by men. On the other hand, men would get up to seven hours of rest in a day while women would rest for one hour or less in a day. It also emerged that men dominated decision making on what harvested produce would be sold, when it would be sold and for how much while women were left to make decisions on food crops and what the family would eat. These findings from the study pointed at a state of gender inequality within the project area that UTaNRMP sought to address.

This publication captures the changing trends in the family social roles, shared decision making, access and control of resources, harmony in the family among other qualitative information courtesy of UTaNRMP's initiatives on Gender Action Learning System (GALS) methodology. From the documented case studies, it is evident that households are now realising their dreams faster courtesy of GALS. By realising their dreams, they are indeed helping UTaNRMP to achieve its project goal and objectives.

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