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MSDG Diaspora Fellows and Diaspora Development Fund (DDF) (Summary as of 30 June 2024)



54 Diaspora Fellows

10 in 2020-21; 44 in 2022-24
22 Women (41%); 32 Men (59%)
11 Aged 18-35 (20%); 20 Aged 36-45 (37%)
13 Aged 46-55 (24%); 10 Aged 56+ (19%)
21 United Kingdom; 12 United States;
7 Norway; 2 Germany; 2 Spain; 10 Other
Countries (Canada, China, Ireland, Kenya,
Nigeria, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Togo,
United Arab Emirates); **[12 Returnees]**

67 DDF Projects

10 in 2020-21; 57 in 2022-24
26 Rural; 15 Urban; 26 Rural & Urban
Job Creation & Employability Schemes;
Agricultural & Veterinary Development;
Education & Training; Multimedia, Film &
Digital Technology; Music, Arts & Cultural
Products & Services; Light Manufacturing &
Production; Clinics & Healthcare Services;
Mental Health & Counselling

8 Funded Institutional DDF Projects

Technical and Operational Support of the Gambia Diaspora and Migration Directorate (MOFA); Curriculum and learning development for the Rural Development Institute (RDI); Science Laboratories and Diaspora Volunteer Teacher Scheme for the Ministry of Basic and Secondary Education (MOBSE); Tourist Guides Training for the National Centre for Arts and Culture (NCAC); Creation of Diaspora Advice Desk at the Gambia Investment and Export Promotion Agency (GIEPA); Research, Survey and Training Skills for the National Youth Council (NYC); Parliamentary Television for the National Assembly (NA); Professionalisation of Music-Making at the Gambia Police Band (GPB)

12 Other Technical Institutional Partnerships with Ministries, Departments and Agencies

€0.5 Million Grants Awarded

€75,000 in 2020-21
€425,000 in 2022-24

Awardees Raised €4 Million

€700,000 in 2020-21
€3,300,000 in 2022-24

MSDG Diaspora Fellows (2021-24)



MSDG Diaspora Development Fund (DDF) Projects

During MSDG2: 10 DDF Projects in 2020-2021

Impact Investors	6 Diaspora Organisations	4 Independent Professionals
Not Applicable	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Covid19 Kidney & Healthcare Support 2. Creation of Maternal Blood Bank 3. Youth Career & Employability Service 4. National Assembly Parliamentary TV 5. Ethical Business Plan Competition 6. Digital Literacy & Capacity Development 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creation of New School IT Suite 2. Monitoring of Hypertension & Diabetes 3. Online Access to Legal Information 4. University Scholarship Fund

During MSDG3: 57 DDF Projects in 2022-2024

16 Impact Investors	18 Diaspora Organisations	23 Independent Professionals
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Coaching & Job Placement 2. E-commerce & Payments Platform 3. Independent Secondary School 4. Audiovisual Technology 5. Industrial Tailoring & Embroidery 6. Poultry Supply Chain 7. Clinical & Diagnostic Laboratory 8. Low-Cost Internet Access 9. Multimedia Technology 10. Agricultural Marketing 11. Business Development Support* 12. Corporate Printing and Design* 13. Angel Investment Network* 14. Ecological Housing Estate 15. Cruise Ship Recruitment Agency 16. Spice Hub Restaurant* 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kidney and Dialysis Clinic 2. Construction of Maternity Clinic 3. Women in Rice Production 4. Capacity for Rural Women Growers 5. Veterinary Awareness in Poultry Sector 6. Community Healthcare Clinic 7. Young People & Sustainable Agriculture 8. Production Training for Artisans 9. Health & Livelihood Empowerment 10. Stationary & Mobile Library Services 11. Professional Cookery Training 12. Construction of Community Centre 13. Online & Social Media Marketing 14. Construction of Maternity Clinic 15. Integrated Poultry Farming* 16. Traditional Cloth-Making for Young Women* 17. Police Band and Artistic Development 18. Community Health Centre 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Farm for School Feeding 2. Youth Mental Health 3. Solar Cold Store for Municipal Market 4. National Epilepsy Awareness 5. Year-Round Village Farming 6. Renovation of Cultural Camp 7. Laboratory Facilities and Training 8. Music Studio Skills 9. Locally Made Farming Implements 10. Parliamentary Newsletter 11. Digital & Production Training 12. Students Fundraising & Mentorship 13. Documentary on Colonial Experience 14. Research on Child Rights 15. Wild Fruits Commercialization 16. Rehabilitation of Mortuary 17. Village Rice Development Project 18. Migrant & Diaspora Stories 19. Tailoring & Alteration Service 20. Farm & Modern Bakery Project 21. Career Mentoring & Development 22. National Graduate Scheme 23. Science Labs & STEM Teaching

* The individual DDF projects with asterisk are not led by Diaspora Fellows.

Maintained 10 DDF Institutional Cooperation	Created 10 New DDF Institutional Partners
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Office of the President (OP) 2. Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)* 3. National Assembly (NA)* 4. Gambia Police Band (GPB)* 5. Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) 6. Ministry of Finance (MOFEA) 7. Central Bank of The Gambia (CBG) 8. Ministry of Public Service (MPS - PMO) 9. University of The Gambia (UTG) 10. National Youth Council (NYC)* 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rural Development Institute (RDI)* 2. Ministry of Basic and Secondary Education (MOBSE)* 3. National Centre for Arts and Culture (NCAC)* 4. Gambia Investment and Export Promotion Agency (GIEPA)* 5. Gambia Bureau of Statistics (GBoS) 6. Gambian Agency for Management of Public Works (GAMWORKS) 7. Management Development Institute (MDI) 8. Ministry of Justice (MoJ) 9. Ministry of Higher Education (MOHERST) 10. Ministry of Trade, Industry and Employment (MOTIE)

* MSDG3 had a target to support 10 institutions with up to 50,000 Euros; by June 2024, more than 100,000 Euros of funding was provided to eight (8) institutions (the ones with the with asterisk); a further twelve (12) institutions benefitted from technical support.

General Cooperation with 8 National Sector Networks

The Association of Non-Governmental Organizations in The Gambia (**TANGO**); Gambia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (**GCCI**); Gambia Bankers Association (**GBA**); Gambia Bar Association (**GBA**); Gambia Radio and Television Service (**GRTS**); Gambia Press Union (**GPU**); Youth Empowerment Project (**YEP**); National Association of Cooperative Credit Unions of The Gambia (**NACCUG**)